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PREFACE

The Guide to the County Archives of Indiana, of which this volume for Wabash County constitutes a part, was prepared for the primary purpose of furnishing officials, students of history, and the citizens of the community with a convenient tool for their use in consulting the county records. It is also hoped the information contained in these volumes will encourage the public in general to take a greater interest in better measures. It is hoped the information presented herein concerning the present housing and care of records and accommodations for persons, who may wish to consult them, will prove to have value for officials and the general citizenry.

The inventory of records was made during the period April 7 to June 11, 1936, under supervision of S. J. Kagan, State Director; Harry M. Williams, District Supervisor; and Roy M. Bates, District Research Editor. The field workers were Lyle Jones and Bernard Liechty, both of Fort Wayne. Cooperation was given by the county and Works Progress Administration officials to make this survey successful.

It is the intention of the editors to present a complete, concise picture of the records in bibliographical form. The inventory is preceded with a number of introductory sections to enlighten the reader concerning facts forming the basis for the records. The entries of the inventory are carried in consecutive numbering for the entire county, while the departments are arranged alphabetically. Where it is applicable, natural groupings under a subject heading are made within the office. A cross reference index following the inventory is intended to help the reader locate records with the least effort.

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HISTORY

Wabash County, located in the north central part of the State, is bounded on the north by Kosciusko and Whitley Counties, on the east by Whitley and Huntington Counties, on the south by Grant and Miami Counties, and on the west by Miami and Fulton Counties. It has an area of 425 square miles.

Wabash County was an important Indian district long before the white man settled in this part of the State. The Indians belonging to the Miami Confederacy--Twightwees, Woas, Piankashaws, and Shockeys--claimed it, as well as all the rest of the State, and lived here after they had ceded the bulk of their lands to the United States Government. The last Indian Reservation in Indiana, ~~and~~ the last Miami Reservation east of the Mississippi was located in Wabash County.

One of the most important battles in Indiana between the red and white man took place at the Jocinah village, the largest Indian settlement in the county, which stood on the banks of the Mississinewa River, near the southern boundary of the county. This occurred on December 17-18, 1812, during General William Henry Harrison's march on Fort Wayne and Detroit.

After the War of 1812 the Miami Confederacy was completely crushed, and at the Treaty of St. Mary's, October 2-6, 1818, ceded a large part of central Indiana lying south of the Wabash River--that immense tract known as the New Purchase--which included more than one third of the State--to the United States Government. ~~They~~ It retained, however, the Big Miami Reserve, about 900 square miles of land lying south of the

Wabash, which included the southern half of what is now Wabash County. The size of the Reserve was gradually reduced by grants for the Wabash and Erie Canal on the north and for the Michigan Road on the west. In 1838 and 1840 treaties further reduced the size of the Reserve until it included only the Meshingomesia Reserve. This tract of ten sections existed between 1840 and 1880--when it was divided up among individual Indians--as a special grant to the members of the family of the great chief Metocinyah.

Although most of the Indians in Wabash County were Miamis they had formidable rivals in the Potawatomis, who occupied all of northwestern Indiana and were steadily pushing south and east. In Wabash County they penetrated as far south as Eel River, where many fierce conflicts with the Miamis were fought out. By a treaty signed in 1826 between the United States Government and the Miamis and Potawatomis, the latter agreed to make Eel River the southern boundary of their lands. In 1834 they sold all of their lands in the State to the Government.

When the first white settlers came to Wabash County they found two Potawatomi villages on the north bank of Eel River. One was located just above North Manchester on what is now the college athletic field and the other was near Stockdale.

That part of the lands of Wabash County lying between the Wabash and Eel rivers was surveyed early in 1827, and that part of the county to the north of Eel River in 1828. The first settlements and purchases of land were in the vicinity of the "treaty grounds", the present site of the city of Wabash. The only white men in the county

before 1827 were the millers and blacksmiths who were employed at the Indian mill, which had been in operation seven years. Lewis Davis was the first miller, and was succeeded in July, 1825, by Gillis McBean, who remained until September, 1828, when Jonathan Keller was placed in charge. He remained until 1830, when the government abandoned the mill as being of no further value to the Indians.

The first permanent settlement of the county followed the Treaty of 1826 when Samuel McClure, Sr., brought his family to the "treaty grounds" in January, 1827. He was a native of North Carolina and had lived for sometime in Ohio before coming to Wabash County. He, like all the first settlers, lived temporarily in the cabins vacated by the Indians and Commissioners which had been built on the "treaty grounds." He built a cabin of his own and cleared 15 acres of ground, but, upon learning that the cleared ground was part of a section reserved to Little Charley, the Miami chief, he selected a site three miles below the "treaty grounds". There, on June 10, 1827, he started to build a cabin on the north bank of the Wabash, the first settler's home to be built in the county. A few months later Samuel McClure, Jr., opened a trading store near his father's cabin. The McClures lived here for several years and then moved to Grant County.

In May, 1817, Benjamin Hurst and Robert Wilson stopped temporarily at the "treaty grounds." Wilson finally became a blacksmith at the Indian Mill; Hurst's final place of settlement remains unknown. About that time Joel and Champion Helvie came to look for a new home. Champion settled on the Wabash opposite the mouth of the Salamonie River, while Joel built a cabin a little farther up the stream. David Burr

also arrived in the spring of 1827, and opened a hotel on the treaty grounds. He, with Colonel Hugh Hanna, bought the ground on which Wabash now stands and platted the town. In the fall of 1827, Frederick R. and James H. Kintner located on the north side of the Wabash River near the mouth of a small stream now known as Kintner's Creek. There the two brothers set up a business of harness and saddle making, primarily for the Indian trade. Among those who came during the next few years were Milton and Isaac Wheeler, John Stewart, a brother-in-law of Samuel McClure, and the Lovallyeas.

Wabash County was formed by an act of the State Legislature approved February 2, 1832, effecting territory attached to Cass and Grant Counties. The county boundaries as described in this act were ambiguous and a corrective act was passed January 30, 1833, which fixed the boundaries as follows: "Beginning at the northeast corner of section five, in township twenty-five north, in range eight east, on the northern boundary line of the county of Grant, being the southwest corner of Huntington county, running thence west sixteen miles, thence north twenty-four miles, thence east with the township line between townships twenty-nine and thirty north, sixteen miles to the northwest corner of Huntington county, thence south twenty-four miles with the western boundary of said county to the place of beginning." (Laws of Indiana, 1832-33, p.39.)

The county government was organized by an act of January 22, 1835, which became effective the following March 1. The Governor of Indiana commissioned William Johnson temporary Sheriff to hold the first county elections and organize the county government. Stearns Fisher, Levi Bean, and Alpheus Blackman were elected Commissioners;

William Steele, Clerk; and Daniel Jackson and Daniel Ballinger were chosen associate judges of the Circuit Court.

The first meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Wabash County was held on June 15, 1835, at the home of Colonel David Burr. Three more officials were appointed; Hugh Hanna was made Treasurer, Isaac Thomas, County Agent, and Isaac Fowler, Assessor. The report of the Commissioners appointed to locate the county seat was received, and the only site seriously considered--the town of Wabash--was accepted. The proprietors of the town, Colonel Hanna and Colonel Butt, ~~had~~ among other inducements, had offered to build a courthouse provided the seat of justice was located at Wabash. The county was also divided into two townships: LaGro and Noble.

The population of Wabash County since 1910 has fluctuated somewhat, but the general trend has been downward. According to the United States Census the population in 1910 was 26,926, in 1920 it increased to 27,231, and in 1930 decreased to 25,170.

There are 47 manufacturing establishments in the county with 1,584 wage earners; the wages paid out by these establishments total $1,678,128, and the total value of their products (at the factory) is $9,280,233.

The chief occupation of the residents of the county is agriculture. On April 1, 1930, there were 2,229 farms in operation, consisting of 244,840 acres. The total value of the farm land and buildings was $19,274,283.

On February 17, 1838, a strip of land containing about forty-two square miles was added to the north boundary of the county, and the

boundaries were legally defined as: "Beginning in the Miami Reserve, where when surveyed it will be the corners of sections two (2) and three (3) in townships twenty-five (25) north of range five (5) east and corners, sections thirty-four (34) and thirty-five (35) township twenty-six (26) North of range number five (5) east; thence north twenty-seven (27) miles to the corners of sections 14,15, 22 and 23 in township number thirty (30) of range five (5) east; thence east fourteen (14) miles to the corners of sections 13 and 24 in township thirty (30) north of range seven east, and corners of sections 18 and 19 in township thirty (30) north of range eight (8) east; thence south three (3) miles to the line dividing townships twenty-nine (29) and thirty (30); thence east with the township line two (2) miles to the corners of sections four (4) and five (5) in townships twenty-nine (29) north of range eight (8) east, and corners of sections thirty-two (32) and thirty-three (33) township thirty (30) north of range eight (8) east, that being the north-west corner of Huntington county; thence south twenty-four (24) miles to the corners of sections four (4) and five (5) in township twenty-five (25) north of range eight (8) east, and corners of sections thirty-two (32) and thirty-three (33) in townships twenty-six (26) north of range eight (8) east,the same being the south-west corner of Huntington county; thence west sixteen (16) miles to the place of beginning." (Laws of Indiana, 1837-38 (local), pp. 263-64).

The first courthouse was erected by Colonels Burr and Hanna, and was in use by the fall of 1839. It was a brick building, two stories high and 40 feet square. As the building was too small to house all

the county officials, a row of one-story brick buildings were erected nearby, which were occupied by the Recorder, Treasurer, Auditor, and Clerk. The courthouse was destroyed by fire in April, 1870, and the records of the Surveyor and Sheriff, which were housed in the building, were lost.

The first session of the Circuit Court convened at the home of William Steele in the town of Wabash on June 1, 1835. The presiding judge of the Eighth Judicial Circuit, Gustavus A. Everts, was absent and court was held by Associate Judges Jackson and Ballinger.

The present courthouse was not entirely completed until the summer of 1880. It is built of brick and native sandstone, and is 125 by 118 feet in size and 75 feet high. All the county officials are housed in the courthouse with the exception of the Coroner, Prosecuting Attorney, and Highway Supervisor.

There are seven townships in Wabash County: Chester, Lagro, Liberty, Noble, Paw Paw, Pleasant, and Waltz. The incorporated cities and towns are North Manchester, Lagro, LaFontaine, Wabash, and Roann. The county was named from the Wabash River which runs in a northeasterly direction through the county.

GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION AND RECORDS SYSTEM

The county serves as a unit for the maintenance of peace through the Sheriff; the administration of justice through the judicial circuit; the administration of welfare work through hospitals, infirmaries and poor relief systems; the administration of public works, such as highways, buildings, and drainage systems; the imposition and collection of taxes; the holding of elections; the administration, to a limited degree, of education; and the enforcement of State laws and decrees.

The General Assembly conferred upon the Wabash County Board of Commissioners powers of a local administrative character (1 Indiana Rev. Stat., 1852, Ch. 20, Sec. 1). A Board of Finance has jurisdiction over financial matters (Acts 1907; Burns 61-606 [12616]). The elective board, County Council (Acts 1899; Burns 26-502 [5683]), has powers of administrative character on budget and tax levy matters. As a protection to the taxpayers of the county, the Board of Review was established and re-established (Acts 1891; Acts 1919, Burns 64-122 [14205]) to review and correct assessments; and later followed the formation of the Board of Tax Adjustments (Acts 1933; Burns 64-304). The record of actions of the latter board are incorporated with the records affected. In 1936, the General Assembly established the Wabash County Board of Public Welfare (Acts 1936, Special Session, Burns 52-1117) with jurisdiction over all matters of a charitable character. A Board of Turnpike Directors was established in 1879 and abolished in 1913; the jurisdiction transferred to the County Commissioners (Acts 1879, 1913).

The constitution provides that the State shall, from time to time, be divided into judicial circuits and a Judge and Prosecuting Attorney elected for each circuit (Indiana Const., Art. 7, Sec. 11). The twenty-seventh circuit,

Wabash County, was established in 1889 (Acts 1889; Burns 4-332 [1403]).

The constitution directs that there shall be elected by the people, at the time of holding general elections, a Clerk of the Circuit Court, Auditor, Recorder, Treasurer, Sheriff, Coroner, and Surveyor (Indiana Const., Art. 6, Sec. 2); and that such other county offices, as may be necessary, shall be elected and appointed in such manner as may be prescribed by law (Indiana Const., Art. 6, Sec. 3). In 1899, the General Assembly prescribed the appointive office of Health Commissioner (Acts 1899; Burns 26-501 [5862]) to protect and administer to the health of the people of Wabash County; in 1919, the elective office of Assessor (Acts 1919; Burns 64-1101 [14200]) to supervise assessment of property; in 1923, the appointive office of Agricultural Agent (Acts 1923; Burns 28-4911) to further agricultural progress in the county; and in 1933, the appointive office of Highway Supervisor (Acts 1933; Burns 36-1110) to supervise construction and repair of Wabash County roads.

The administration of education in Wabash County (outside of municipal corporations) is under the jurisdiction of the County Board of Education and the County Superintendent of Schools (Acts 1889, 1911, 1913, and 1927; Burns 28-702 [6507]).

Between the adoption of the Constitution of 1816 and the Constitution of 1851, practically no changes were made in the form of government in Wabash County. Following this period to the present time, changes were mainly enlargements of the government, such as creation of the above offices. The establishment of each of these offices caused the beginning of separate records as prescribed by the General Assembly under the provisions for each respective office.

As each office was created, the General Assembly prescribed the type of records which should be kept, in many cases listing the particular form of the page. Wabash County was allowed its own form of accounting until, in 1909, the

legislature established the State Board of Accounts which formulates, prescribes, and installs a system of accounting and reporting which is uniform for every public office of the same class (Acts 1909; Burns 60-202 [12637]). Under this law, some of the records were combined to eliminate separation, duplication, and overlapping. The law also permits the use of bound looseleaf records in almost all cases where the records are typed. The quality of the paper and ink, binding and rebinding practices are left to the judgment of the Board of County Commissioners, except that a good quality is asked.

Whenever it may be necessary for the preservation of the records for any office of Wabash County from mutilation, the Board of County Commissioners issues an order directing the officer in charge to copy and transcribe the records for preservation (Acts 1877; Burns 26-204 [6093]). Such records so transcribed have the force and effect of the original record (Acts 1877; Burns 26-635 [6094]).

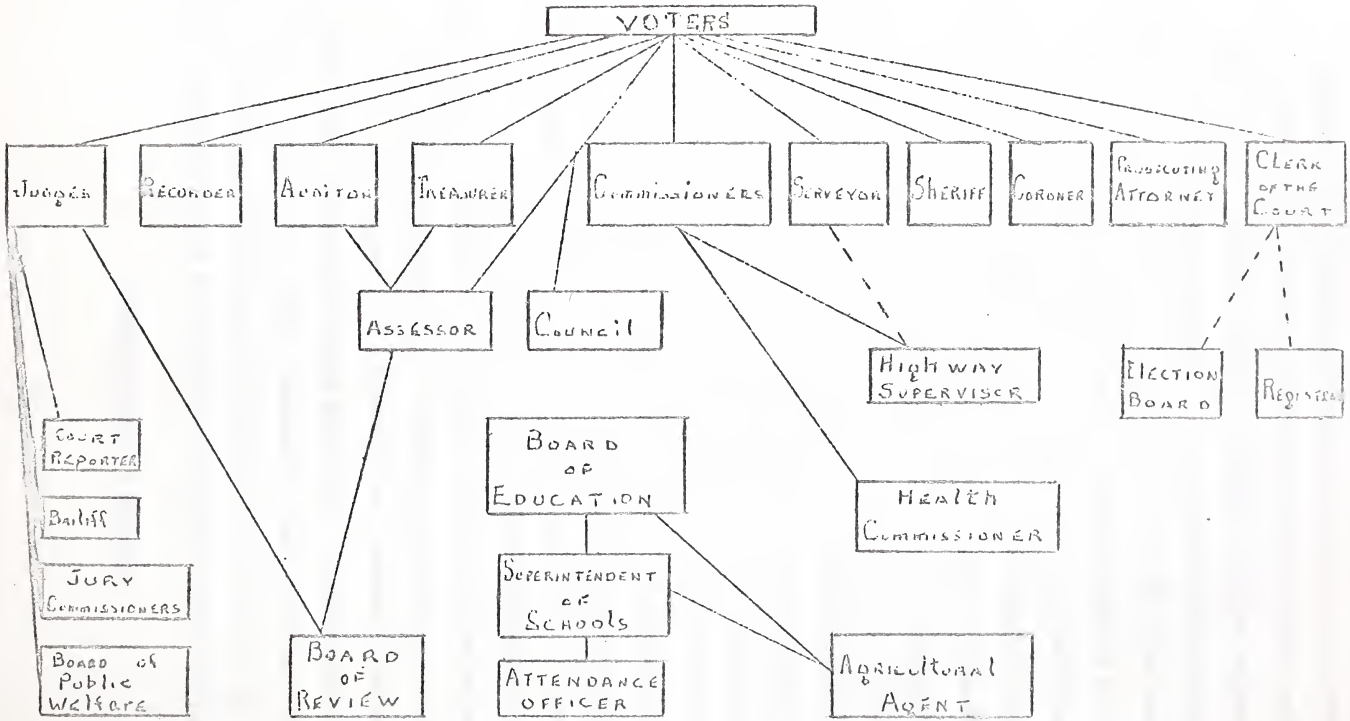

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CHART OF COUNTY GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATION —INDIANA

HOUSING OF PUBLIC RECORDS

The Wabash County courthouse, constructed in 1878, of brick and stone, measures 125' by 118' by 75', allowing 1,106,250 cubic feet in space. The building houses the offices of Assessor, Auditor, Clerk, Commissioners, Recorder, and Treasurer, on the first floor; Agricultural Agent, Sheriff, Superintendent of Schools, and Surveyor, on the second floor; and a "bum" room and vault in the basement. It is approximately 80% fireproof, and contains no fireproof vaults for the records. In April, 1871, the original courthouse burned but all records were saved.

The Agricultural Agent's bureau, located in the south central section of the second floor, measures 24' by 20' by 14', with two doors 8' by 3½', and ~~two~~ windows 14' by 3½'. The floors is wood, ceiling and walls, plaster, all in good condition. The ventilation and atmospheric conditions are good, temperature normal, and it is clean and dry. Along the north wall, filing cabinets provide 45' of boxes 27" deep, containing unbound materials. It is not crowded, allowing plenty of room for expansion. One table, two desks, and three chairs afford good accommodations ~~to~~ for users. All of the bureau's records are housed here.

The Assessor's bureau, located in the west central section of the first floor, measures 18' by 16' by 14', with three doors 7½' by 3½', and three windows 8' by 3'. The floor is wood, ceiling and walls, plaster, all in good condition. The ventilation and atmospheric conditions are good, and it is clean and dry. Along the south wall, there are 55' of shelving, of which 45' are occupied with bound volumes. It is not crowded, allowing plenty of room for expansion. On desk, two large tables, and two chairs afford fair accommodations to users. Approximately 55% of the bureau's records are housed here, while 45%

are located in the basement vault.

The Auditor's bureau, located in the northeast section of the first floor, comprises a main and back office (Commissioners'), and record room. The main office meansures 34' by 22' by 16', with three doors 8' by 3½', and two windows 14' by 3½'. The floor is wood, ceiling and walls, plaster, all in good condition. The ventilation and atmospheric conditions are good, temperature normal, and it is clean and dry. Under a counter, there are 155' of shelving, of which 140' are occupied with bound volumes, while filing cabinets provide 60' of boxes 9½" deep, containing unbound materials. There is no room for expansion. One large counter, one small table, and three chairs afford fair accommodations ~~to~~ for users. Approximately 20% of the bureau's records are housed here, 60% are kept in the Commissioners' room and 20% are located in the basement vault. The back office, or Commissioners' room, measures 34' by 22' by 16', with two doors 8' by 3½' and four windows 14' X 3½' X. The floor is wood, ceiling and walls, plaster, all in good condition. The ventilation and atmospheric conditions are good, temperature normal, and it is clean and dry. Along the south and west walls, there are 315' of shelving, all of which are occupied with bound volumes, while filing cabinets provide 30' of boxes 9½", and 18" deep, containing unbound materials. There is no room for expansion. Two tables, and five chairs afford good accommodations ~~to~~ for users.

The Clerk's bureau, located in the northwest corner of the first floor, comprises a main office and record room. The main office measures 32' by 20' by 16', with two doors 8' by 3½', and two windows 10' by 3½'. The floor is wood, ceiling and walls, plaster, all in

good condition. The ventilation and atmospheric conditions are good, temperature normal, and it is clean and dry. Along the south and west walls, under a counter, there are 325' of shelving, of which 300' are occupied with bound volumes, while filing cabinets provide 100' of boxes 11" deep, containing unbound materials. There is no room for expansion with additional shelving. One counter, two tables, and four chairs afford good accommodations to users. Approximately 20% of the bureau's records are housed here, while 35% are in the rear record room, and 45% are located in the basement vault. The record room (rear) measures 32' by 24' by 16', with one door 8' by 3½', and six windows 6' by 3½'. The floor is wood, ceiling and walls, painted plaster, all in good condition. The ventilation and atmospheric conditions are good, temperature normal, and it is clean and dry. Along the east and south walls, there are 725' of shelving, of which 700' are occupied with bound volumes, while filing cabinets provide 1,100' of boxes 11" deep, containing unbound materials. Although it is crowded, there is room for additional shelving. One table, two desks, and chairs afford good accommodations to users.

The Health Commissioner's bureau, located in the private office of Dr. A. J. Steffen, 131 South Miami Street, Wabash, houses 95% of the records of this bureau there, and 5% are located in the Clerk's office. It is recommended that ample space and equipment be allotted for the proper housing of this bureau and its records in the courthouse.

The Highway Supervisor's bureau houses all records in the Wabash County Highway Garage. It is recommended that ample space and equipment be allotted for the proper housing of these public records in the courthouse.

The Board of Public Welfare bureau, located in the southeast corner of the first floor, measures 19' by 16' by 16', with one door 10' by 3½', and one window 10' by 3½'. The floor is wood, ceiling and walls, plaster, all in good condition. The ventilation and atmospheric conditions are good, and it is clean and dry. Under a front counter, there are 15' of shelving, of which 1' is occupied with bound volumes. It is not crowded, allowing plenty of room for expansion. A 15' counter, two desks, and seven chairs afford good accommodations to for users. Approximately 88% of the bureau's records are housed here, while 12% of located in the Commissioner's room in the Auditor's office.

The Recorder's bureau, located in the southwest section of the first floor, comprises a main office and record room. There are no records kept in the main office. The record room measures 40' by 40' by 16', with three doors 8' by 3½', and five windows 14' by 4'. The floor is wood, ceiling and walls, plaster, all in good condition. Along the walls, and on the balcony, there are 1,085' of shelving, all of which are occupied with bound volumes, and 60' of bound volumes on a counter. It is crowded, allowing no room for expansion. Two desks, one table and six chairs afford good accommodations to users. Approximately 98% of the bureau's records are housed here, and 2% are located in the basement vault.

The Superintendent of Schools' bureau, located in the east center section of the second floor, comprises two rooms, a main and private office. The main office measures 18' by 17½' by 17½', with two doors 8' by 3½', and two windows 14' by 3½'. The floor is wood, ceiling and walls, plaster, all in good condition. The ventilation conditions are good,

and it is clean and dry. There are 10' of bound volumes and 12' of file boxes 10" deep, containing unbound materials. There is ample space for expansion. Five tables, three desks, and four chairs afford good accommodations ~~to~~ for users. Approximately 50% of the bureau's records are housed here. The private office measures 18' by 15' by 15', with two doors 8' by 3½', and two windows 14' by 3½'. It has wood flooring, ceiling and walls, plaster, all in good condition. The ventilation and atmospheric conditions are good, temperature normal, and it is clean and dry. Located in the southwest corner, there are 24' of shelving, of which 20' are occupied with bound volumes. There is ample space for expansion. A desk, lounge, and four chairs afford good accommodations ~~to~~ for users. Approximately 50% of the bureau's records are housed here.

The Sheriff's bureau, located in the north center section of the second floor, measures 22' by 18' by 15½', with one door 8' by 3½', ~~and~~ one door 8' by 3½', and two windows 14' by 3½'. The floor is wood, covered with linoleum, ceiling and walls, plaster, all in fair condition. The ventilation and atmospheric conditions are good, temperature normal, and it is clean and dry. Along the east wall, there are 114' of shelving, all of which are occupied with bound volumes. It is crowded, allowing no room for expansion. Two desks, and six chairs afford good accommodations ~~to~~ for users. Approximately 98% of the bureau's records are housed here, and 2% are located in the basement vault.

The Surveyor's bureau, located in the southeast corner of the floor, measures 24' by 18' by 16', with three doors 8' by 3½', and

four windows 14' by 3½'. It has wood flooring, ceiling and walls, plaster, all in good condition. The ventilation and atmospheric conditions are good, temperature normal, and it is clean and dry. Along the north wall, located in a cabinet, there are 30' of wood roller shelving, of which 15' are occupied with bound volumes, and 75' of boxes 15" deep, containing unbound materials. It is not crowded, allowing room for expansion. Two tables, six chairs and other office equipment afford good accommodations to users. All of the bureau's records are housed here.

The Treasurer's bureau, located in the southeast corner of the first floor, comprises a main or front office and filing room. The main office measures 31' by 18' by 16', with two doors 8' by 3', and two windows 10' by 3'. It has wood flooring, ceiling and walls, plaster, all in good condition. The ventilation and atmospheric conditions are good, temperature normal, and it is clean and dry. Under counter, there are 40' of roller shelving, of which 30' of bound volumes, while filing cabinets provide 25' of boxes 25" deep, containing unbound materials. Although the shelves are not crowded, there is no room for expansion. There are no accommodations to users here. Approximately 10% of the bureau's records are housed here, 65% are in the filing room, and 25% are located in the basement vault. The filing room measures 31' by 24' by 16', with on door 8' by 3', and four windows 10' by 3'. It has wood flooring, ceiling and walls, plaster, all in good condition. The ventilation and atmospheric conditions are good, temperature normal, and it is clean and dry. Along the north and west walls, in large walnut cabinets, there are 355' of shelving,

all of which are occupied with bound volumes. This shelving is filled to capacity, and there is no available floor space for expansion. One counter, one table, and four chairs afford good accommodations to users.

The "bum" room, located in the north center section of the basement, measures 32' by 24' by 10', with two arch-doors 8' by 8', and two windows 3' by 2'. The floor is concrete, stone walls, and steel ceiling, all in fair condition. The ventilation and atmospheric conditions are good, and it is clean and dry. Along the south wall, and in center of the room, there are 620' of wood roller shelving in walnut cabinets, all of which are occupied with bound volumes, while filing cabinets provide 280' of boxes 10" deep, containing unbound materials. There is room for expansion with new shelving. One table, and two chairs afford good accomodations to users. Approximately 45% of the Clerk's records are housed here.

The basement vault, located in center of the basement, measures 18' by 12' by 10', with one door 7' by 3½', and no windows. It has concrete flooring, stone walls, and steel ceiling, all in good condition. The ventilation and atmospheric conditions are poor, but it is clean and dry. Along the walls, and in center of the room, there are 400' of wood shelving in walnut cabinets, all of which are occupied with bound volumes. It is filled to capacity, allowing no room for more shelving. There are no accommodations to users. Approximately 45% of the Assessor's records, 20% of the Auditor's records, 2% of the Recorder's records, 50% of the Board of Review's records, 2% of the Sheriff's records, 25% of the Treasurer's records, and 80% of the Turnpike's Director's records are housed here.

ABBREVIATIONS

The Style Manual of the United States Government Printing Office is the authority followed herein.

Art.	Article
Bldg.	Building
Ch.	Chapter
C.C.	County Courthouse
Const.	Constitution
ibid.	Ibidem (same reference as that immediately foregoing)
Ind.	Indiana
infra	Below
N.E.	Northeast
N.W.	Northwest
p., pp.	Page, pages
q.v.	Which see
Rev. Stat.	Revised Statutes
Sec.	Section
S.E.	Southeast
S.".	Southwest
supra	Above
U.S.	United States
V., vol., vols.	Volume, volumes

Other abbreviations occasionally used will be obvious from the context.

AGRICULTURAL AGENT

Whenever twenty or more residents of a county who are actively interested in agricultural file a petition, the County Board of Education files said petition with the County Council for appropriation of salary and expense; the Board of Education then applies to Purdue University for the appointment of an Agricultural Agent whose appointment is made annually.

In accordance with the law an Agricultural Agent has been appointed for Wabash County. It is his duty, under the supervision of Purdue University, to cooperate with movements for the advancement of agriculture, give advice to farmers, and aid the county Superintendent of Schools in giving practical education in agriculture and domestic science (Acts 1913, Burns 28-4911 [7045]).

1. ANNUAL NARRATIVE REPORT, 1928--. 9 vols.
Report of annual county extention work, showing changes in organization, program of work, projects of activities and results, outlook, and recommendations. Indexedby subject. Typed on printed form. 40 pp. 12 x 9 x 1½. C.C., Agent's office.

2. CORN, HOG CONTRACTS, 1934-35. 16 file drawers.
Record of farmers' A.A.A. corn and hog contracts with the Federal Government, showing date and number of contract, name of party making contract, proof of compliance, conditions of contract, and correspondence pertaining to contracts. Arranged alphabetically by township, thereunder by party making contract. 11 x 10 x 27. C.C., Agent's outer office.

3. 4-H CLUB ENROLLMENT, 1932--. 1 bundle.

Record of enrollment of club memberships, of beef, dairy, calf, colt, pig, potatoes, corn, and domestic science 4 H clubs, showing name and age of member, and variety or breed of plant or animal. Arranged by clubs, thereunder alphabetically by member. 11 x 8½ x 1. C.C., Agent's private office.

4. WHEAT CONTRACTS, 1933--. 4 file drawers.

Record of farmers A.A.A., wheat contracts with the government, and applications for contracts to 1939, showing date, contract number, name of party making contract, and description of the conditions of the contract. Arranged by Townships and alphabetically thereunder by party making contract. 11 x 10 x 27. C.C., Agent's outer office.

ASSESSOR

The Assessor's office, created by the General Assembly, is non-constitutional.

The Assessor is nominated by primary and elected for a four-year term in the fall election, there being no prohibition against successive terms in office. Qualifications are established by law; he must have been a continuous freeholder of Wabash County for not less than four years before the date of election, and he must provide a five thousand dollar bond, with two or more good and sufficient freehold sureties approved by the Auditor, who also administers the oath of office. The statutes direct that he shall be subject to the orders and directions of the State board of tax commissioners. He may be removed from office for misfeasance, upon the notice and hearing, and may appeal to the Circuit Court from unfavorable hearings below. (Acts 1919, Burns 64-1101 [14200]).

His duties are to assess omitted property and inheritances, to appraise each school plant, to instruct the township assessors, to carry out the orders of the State tax board, and to act as president of Wabash County Board of Review (Acts 1919, Burns 64-1101 [14200]).

5. BOOK, 1901--. 124 vols. Various volumes missing. Record of assessments and appraisals of real and personal property, showing name of owner, description, location and value of property, improvements, personal property, number of poles, and total value as filed by Board of Review. Arranged alphabetically by taxpayer. Hand-written on printed form. 80 pp. 16 x 12 x ½. C. C., 44 vols., 1901-27, basement vault; 19 vols., 1925-26,28; ~~basement~~, 61 vols., 1925--. Auditor's office.

6. PLAT BOOK, 1907-32. 26 vols.

Record of plats, showing name of owner and description of land, with plat on opposite page of each owners property, with description. Arranged numerically by section number. Handwritten. 100 pp. 15 x 11 x $\frac{3}{4}$. C.C., 7 vols. 1932, Auditor's office; 19 vols. 1907-19, basement vault.

7. PERSONAL ASSESSMENT LISTS, 1924--. 460 vols.

Record of individual property tax assessment lists, showing real and personal property, and appraised value taken by field assessor, and signature of owner. Arranged alphabetically by owner. Handwritten on printed form. 250 pp. 14 x 9 x 2. C.C., 268 vols., 1924-30, basement vault; 192 vols, 1931--, Assessor's office.

8. REAL ESTATE ASSESSMENT LISTS, 70 vols. 1924-32.

Record of real estate tax assessments, showing name of owner, description and location with plat drawing for each square mile section. Arranged alphabetically by owner. Handwritten on printed form. 250 pp. 14 x 9 x 2. 52 vols., 1928-32, Assessor's office; 18 vols, 1924, basement vault.

9. SATISFIED MORTGAGES, RECORD OF, 1884-1930. 2 vols.

Record of mortgages assigned and canceled, showing names of parties, dates, and reference in mortgage record of volume number and page. Arranged alphabetically by mortgagor. Handwritten on printed form. 600 pp. 18 x 13 x $3\frac{1}{2}$. C.C., Assessor's office.

10. WABASH, CITY OF, 1920. 1 map.

Political map, showing additions, streets, roads, rivers, lots and number. Published by National Map Company. Printed, black and white. Condition poor. No scale given. 72 x 72. C.C., Assessor's office.

AUDITOR

The Auditor is a constitutional officer, elected for a four-year term, and entitled to hold office for not more than eight years in any period of twelve. The Auditor is required to post bond in the amount of ten thousand dollars. (Indiana Const., Art. 5, Sec. 2; Burns 49-3003).

The Auditor is the clerk of the Board of County Commissioners. He preserves the documents, books, records, maps, and papers deposited in his office; examines and settles all accounts and demands chargeable against Wabash County; keeps an account current with the Treasurer; acknowledges deeds and mortgages executed for the security of trust funds; issues pension certificates; institutes suits on behalf of trust funds; files records of poor relief and reports of charity cases; approves bonds of township trustees; advertises and sells bonds; delivers election supplies to election inspectors; prepares tax duplicates; verifies tax rates; issues tax deeds; acts as custodian of school funds; and accepts bequests for cemeteries. (1 Indiana Rev. Stat. 1852; Acts 1879; Burns 49-3004 /11887/ to 49-3018 /11903/).

Banking

10a. MONTHLY STATEMENT BY DEPOSITORIES, 1922-25. 1 vol. Record of bank statements to Auditor's office, showing daily balance on deposit of county funds. Arranged chronologically. Typed on printed form. 500 pp. 14 x 10 x 3. C.C., Commissioner's room, Auditor's office.

Bonds

11. BOND RECORD, 1882-. 1 vol.

Record of bonds of road supervisors, showing amount of bond, conditions, and signatures of sureties, County Commissioners, and Auditor. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 100 pp. 15 x 9 x ½. C.C., basement vault.

12. BOND RECORD OF ASSESSOR AND TRUSTEES, 1895-1909. 2 vols.

Record of transcript of the surety bonds of Assessors and trustees, showing name of officials, term, date, and amount of bond. Indexed alphabetically by official. Handwritten on printed form. 400 pp. 18 x 13 x 2. C.C., Commissioner' room, Auditor's office.

For earlier and later records, see entry 62.

Budget

13. APPROPRIATION AND DISBURSEMENT LEDGER, 1908--. 9 vols.

(2-4, 5 vols. not numbered, 2 vols., numbered 3).

Record of appropriations for each county office, and detailed record of disbursements against same, showing date, and monthly balance of each fund. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 497 pp. 16 x 9 x 2½. C.C., 8 vols., 1908-15, 1917--, Commissioner's room, Auditor's office; 1 vol., 1916-19, basement vault.

Rec Records not kept earlier.

14. JOURNAL, 1900--11. 3 vols.

Record of receipts and disbursements of county revenue, showing date, from whom received, to whom paid, total receipts and disbursements, and balance. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 648 pp. 18 x 16 x 3. C.C., basement vault.

15. LEDGER, 1895-1931. 5 vols.

Record of ledger of all county funds, with entries posted from Auditor's journal, showing page and reference from journal, amount posted, and balance of each account. Indexed alphabetically by account. Handwritten on printed form. 588 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. C.C., 1 vol., 1895-99, basement vault; 4 vols., 1900--31, Commissioner's room, Auditor's office.

For later records, see entry 13.

16. MONTHLY BALANCE RECORD, 1913--. 3 vols.

Record of monthly statement of total receipts, disbursements and balance of each fund, showing receipts to date, total receipts for month, combined total, disbursements to date, total for month, combined total, and balance on hand at beginning and end of each month for each fund. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 140 pp. 18 x 17 x 1 5/8. C.C., Commissioner's room, Auditor's office.

17. RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS, 1872-89. 3 vols. (1-3).

Record of receipts and disbursements of county revenue, showing date of receipt, from whom received, amount, date of disbursement, to whom paid, and for what cause. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 500 pp. 12 x 16 x 2½. C.C., basement vault.

18. STATE AND TOWNSHIP LEDGER, 1872-1907. 2 vols. (1-2).

Record of receipts and disbursements of State and township funds, showing date, number and amount of receipts, from whom received, amount of disbursements, date, to whom paid, and for what cause. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 233 pp. 16 x 1 8 x 1¾. C.C., basement vault.

Change of Venue

19. CHANGE OF VENUE RECORD, 1896--. 1 vol.
Record of cost of court cases venued from other counties, showing from what county venued, title and number of cause, itemized costs, payments received, and date payments received. Indexed alphabetically by county from which venued. Handwritten on printed form. 295 pp. 17 x 16 x 2½. C.C., Commissioner's room, Auditor's office.

Liquor

20. LIQUOR BOND RECORD, RETAILER'S BONDS, 1875-1906. 4 vols.
Record of bonds posted by retailers to sell liquor, showing name of retailer, location of premises from which liquor is to be sold, name of surety, amount and conditions of bond, and date filed. Indexed alphabetically by retailer. Handwritten on printed form. 198 pp. 16 x 11 x 1½. C.C., basement vault.

Maps

21. WABASH COUNTY, 1910. 1 map.
Political map, showing townships, sections, roads, railways, schools, cemeteries, churches, and drains. Drawn by J. Monroe Crumrine. Printed and colored. Scale, 2 " to 1 mile. 56 x 40. C.C., Commissioner's room, Auditor's office.

22. WABASH COUNTY, not dated. 2 maps.
Political map, showing township lines, State and county roads, bridges, open and tile drains, schools, and churches. Drawn by Asher Grey. Published at Wabash, Ind. Printed, black and white. Scale, 1" to 1 mile. 30 x 17. C.C., 1 map, Auditor's front office; 1 map, Auditor's rear office.

Public Works

23. CONSTRUCTION RECORD, 1926--. 1 vol.

Record of county construction work being done, showing name of contractor, nature of contract, date to be completed, amount, to whom paid, balance due, and distribution of expenses. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 50 pp. 14 x 16 x 1½. C.C., Auditor's office.

24. EXPENDITURES, FREE GRAVEL ROAD REPAIRS, LEDGER OF, 1916-17. 1 vol.

Record of expenditures for repair of gravel roads, showing name of employees, number of hours worked, rate of pay, salary of foreman or superintendent, cost and kind of material, and from whom purchased. Indexed alphabetically by road. Handwritten on printed form. 580 pp. 17 x 15 x 2½. C.C., basement.

25. ROAD AND DITCH BONDS, REGISTER OF, 1908--. 3 vols.

Record of bonds issued to cover costs of roads and ditches, showing date, number and amount of bond, by whom signed, to whom sold, rate of interest, date due and when paid. Arranged alphabetically by road or ditch. Handwritten on printed form. 125 pp. 14 x 18 x 1¼. C.C., Auditor's office.

Quietus

26. CANCELED CHECKS AND RECONCILLIATION REPORTS, 1921--. 16 carboard boxes.

Record of county warrants paid at banks and returned, together with Auditor's statement of reconcilliation, showing amount, in whose favor, date, name of bank where canceled, statement of balance, amounts deposited and record of outstanding checks. Arranged numerically by check number. Handwritten on printed form. 4 x 10 x 28. C.C., Commissioner's room, Auditor's office.

27. ORDERS SURRENDERED, TREASURER TO AUDITOR, REGISTER OF, 1841-1907. 12 vols. (2-7, 5 vols., not numbered; 2 vols. numbered 5). V. 1862-66, missing.

Record of county orders returned by the Treasurer, showing date of orders, in whose favor, nature of expense, amount and number of order, and yearly recapitulation. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 315 pp. 15 x 10 x 1½. C.C., 6 vols., 1848-94, Treasurer's office; 3 vols., 1894-1901, basment vault; 3 vols., 1902-07, basement.

For later records, see entry 13.

28. RECEIPTS, 1917--. 7 vols.

Record of cash receipts for which Auditor issued a quietus, showing date, receipt number, from whom received, to what account, ledger file, and remarks. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 400 pp. 16 x 12 x 2. C.C., Commissioner's room, Auditor's office.

29. WARRANT BOOK, 1919--. 21 vols.

Record of disbursements by warrants issued by Auditor or Treasurer, showing to whom payable, name of depository, for what allowud, number of warrant, and to what fund charged. Arranged chronologically. Typed on printed form. 400 pp. 17 x 12 x 3½. C. C., 9 vols., 1919--22, basement; 11 vols., 1922-35, Commissioner's room, Auditor's office; 1 vol., 1936, Auditor's office.

30. WARRANTS, REGISTER OF, 1911--. 6 vols. (2-5, and 2 vols. not numbered).

Record of duplicates of warrants issued, showing account of appropriation, to which charged, date issued, amount, to whom paid, for what issued, and when allowed. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 321 pp. 18 x 1 3/4 x 3. C.C., Commissioner's room, Auditor's office.

School Funds

31. APPORTIONMENT OF SCHOOL REVENUE, 1882-1920. 2 vols. 1 vol., 1909-12, missing. Title varies.

Record of semi-annual apportionment of school revenue to townships, by funds, showing township, township enumeration, warrant number, and amount paid to each school unit. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 225 pp. 15 x 14 x 1 3/4. C.C., 1 vol., 1882-1909, basement vault; 1 vol., 1912-20, Commissioner's room, Auditor's office.

32. COMMON SCHOOL FUNDS, REGISTER OF ORDERS, 1839-72. 5 vols.

Record of orders drawn on common school funds, showing date, number, amount of order, in whose favor drawn, amount of principal, and interest. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 125 pp. 13 x 9 x 1. C.C., 3 vols., 1839-53, Commissioner's room, Auditor's office; 2 vols., 1853-72, basement vault.

33. CONGRESSIONAL SCHOOL FUNDS, JOURNAL OF, 1854-72. 1 vol.

Record of receipts of payments made to congressional school funds showing from whom received, amount of principal and interest, date, and page reference to ledger to which posted. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 200 pp. 16 x 11 x 2. C.C., basement vault.

34. CONGRESSIONAL SCHOOL FUND, REGISTER OF ORDERS, 1853-71.

1 vol.

Record of orders drawn on Congressional school fund, showing date of order, order number, in whose favor drawn, and amount. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 200 pp. 16 x 11 x 1. C.C., basement vault.

For later records, see entry 3[illegible].

35. INVENTORY OF TRUST OR SCHOOL FUNDS, 1912--. 1 vol.

Record of the annual inventory of outstanding school fund loans unpaid, showing page number in "Register of Loans", number and date of loan, original amount of loan, amount of each loan paid, to what date interest is paid, amount of interest due, and amount of funds represented by forfeiture of lands. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 241 pp. 16 x 17 x 2. C.C., Commissioner's room, Auditor's office.

36. RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS, SCHOOL FUNDS, 1872-1907.

2 vols. (1,2).

Record of receipts and disbursements of school funds, showing date, number of receipts, from whom received, amount, date of disbursements, amount, to whom paid, and for what cause. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 300 pp. 17 x 16 x 3. C.C., basement.

37. RECEIPTS OF SCHOOL FUNDS, REGISTER OF, 1853-72. 2 vols.

Record of receipts of payments to school fund, showing date and number of receipt, from whom received, nature of payment, amount of receipts, amount of principal, interest, liquor license, fines, and

forfeitures. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 200 pp. 16 x 11 x 1. C.C., 1 vol., 1853-72, basement vault; 1 vol., 1853-72, basement.

38. SALE OF SCHOOL SECTIONS, REGISTER OF, 1848-70. 1 vol. Record of sale of school lands, showing date of sale, description, location of land sold, name of purchaser, number of acres, and amount for which sold. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 70 pp. 10 x 8 x ½. C.C., Commissioner's room, Auditor's office.

39. SCHOOL FUNDS, COMMON JOURNAL OF, 1838-72. 5 vols. Record of receipt of money from various sources to common school fund, showing from whom received, date and amount of receipts, interest, liquor license, fines, and forfeitures. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 200 pp. 16 x 11 x 1. C.C., 4 vols., 1838-53, Commissioner's room, Auditor's office; 1 vol., 1853-72, basement.

40. SCHOOL FUND LOANS, REGISTER OF, 1843--. 6 vols. (1-3, and 3 vols. not numbered). 1 vol., 1892-1915, missing. Record of school fund loans, showing loan number, amount, by whom borrowed, date of loan, legal description, date of interest and principal payments, and amount. Indexed alphabetically by mortgagor. Handwritten on printed form. 225 pp. 16 x 12 x 2. C.C., 3 vols. 1916--, Auditor's office; 2 vols., 1843-71, Commissioner's room, Auditor's office; 1 vol., 1871-91, basement.

Social Security

41. POOR ACCOUNT RECORD, 1897-1900. 1 vol.

Record of claims made on poor fund, showing date filed, claim number, name of vendor, classification, amount paid, and warrant number. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 240 pp. 16 x 12 x 2½. C.C., basement vault.

42. POOR FUND CLAIMS, RECORD OF, 1935--. 1 vol.

Record of claims presented each month to be paid out of the general fund, showing names of parties helped, kind of help given, amount, date given, and name of vendors. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 100 pp. 11 x 17 x 1. C.C., Auditor's office.

43. POOR FUND LEDGER, 1935--. 1 vol.

Record of poor funds in which claims are posted to the different accounts, showing date, name of accounts, amount, and balance of each. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 150 pp. 11xx 14 x 1. C.C., Auditor's office.

Statistics

44. ANNUAL REPORT, 1864--. 8 vols. (1-3, and 5 vols., not numbered). 1892-1914, missing.

Record of trustee's annual report to Auditor, showing date, warrant number, appropriations, itemized expenditures to road fund, special school fund, tuition fund, poor fund, and dog fund. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 150 pp. 16 x 10 x 1. C.C., 3 vols., 1864-91, basement vault; 5 vols., 1915--, Commissioner's room, Auditor's office.

45. ENUMERATION RECORD, 1926-31. 35 vols.

Record of male inhabitants over 21 years of age residing in the county, showing names, age, and color. Arranged alphabetically by names. Typed on printed form. 70 pp. 14 x 9 x ½. C.C., Commissioner's room, Auditor's office.

Records other than those not preserved.

46. FOREST TRACT RECORD, 1899-1901. 1 vol.

Record of tracts of forests reported to Auditor by land owners in compliance with foresty act of 1889, showing description and location of forest land, name of owner, and date reported. Indexed alphabetically by owner. Handwritten on printed form. 150 pp. 16 x 10 x 1. C.C., basement vault.

47. NOTICES, 1924-31. 1 vol.

Record of newspaper clippings of notices for contractors, bids, bond sales, road petitions, tax rates, and delinquent tax lists. Arranged chronologically. Printed. 81 pp. 16 x 14 x 1. C.C., Auditor's office.

Tax

48. DELINQUENT LISTS, 1870-75. 4 vols.

Record of lists of delinquent taxes, showing name of owner, description and value of land and improvements, personal property, poll tax, total delinquent, penalty, and interest. Arranged alphabetically by property owner. Handwritten on printed form. 364 pp. 17 x 16 x 3½. C.C., basement vault.

49. DELINQUENT TAXES SENT TO OTHER COUNTIES, REGISTER OF, 1865-73. 1 vol.

Record of notices of delinquent taxes due the county sent to taxpayers who have established residence in other counties, showing name of taxpayer, amount due, to what county notice sent, and date notice was sent. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten. 335 pp. 16 x 11 x 2. C.C., basement.

50. ERRONEOUS APPRAISMENT RECORD, 1869-71. 3 vols.

Record of erroneous appraisments made in property assessments, showing name of taxpayer, duplicate number, and nature and amount of overcharge. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten. 80 pp. 14 x 8 ½. C. C., basement.

51. GRAVEL ROAD DUPLICATES, 1869-93. 6 vols.

Record of taxes to be collected for upkeep of county roads, showing names of owners, description and value of land and improvements, and amount of taxes due each installment. Arranged numerically by section and range numbers. Handwritten on printed form. 192 pp. 16 x 15 x 2. C.C., basement vault.

52. IMPROPERLY CHARGE TAXES, COPIES OF RECEIPTS FOR, 1923-28. 1 vol.

~~Record~~ Carbon copies of receipts issued for improperly charged taxes, showing name of owner wrongfully charged, date, and amount of error. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten. 200 pp. 16 x 0 x 1. C.C., basement.

53. MORTGAGE EXEMPTIONS, 1934--. 9 file drawers.
Record of affidavits filed by parties seeking tax exemptions because of mortgage indebtedness, showing names of parties making affidavits, description of property mortgaged, and amount of mortgage. Arranged alphabetically by applicant. 3 x 10 x 18. C.C., Auditor's office.

54. MORTGAGE INDEBTEDNESS, AFFIDAVITS OF, 1931-32. 20 vols.
Record of original affidavits as filed by parties seeking exemptions on taxes because of mortgage indebtedness, showing name of party making affidavit, description of property mortgaged, and amount of mortgage. Arranged alphabetically by applicant. Handwritten on printed form. 200 pp. 18 x 8 x 3/4. C.C., Recorder's office.

55. MORTGAGE EXEMPTIONS, COPY OF RECEIPTS FOR 1931. 1 vol.
Record of carbon copies of receipts signed by Auditor which taxpayers turn over to the Treasurer in lieu of cash for amount of his exemption, to be deducted from taxes on account of mortgage indebtedness, showing name of taxpayer, date, and amount of exemption. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 150 pp. 11 x 9 x3/4. C.C., basement.

56. ROAD TAX RECEIPTS, REGISTER OF, 1890-1911. 2 vols.
Record of receipts for taxes paid for upkeep of roads, showing amount of cash received, by whom paid, township and district number, date paid, totals for each township, and total of gravel road fund. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 250 pp. 18 x 13 x 1 3/4. C.C., 1 vol., 1890-00, basement vault; 1 vol., 1899-1911, Commissioner's room, Auditor's office.

57. SOLDIER'S EXEMPTIONS, AFFIDAVITS FOR, 1930-31. 2 vols.

Record of affidvaits made for the purpose of deducting $1,000 from the assessed valuation of property owned by soldiers and sailors or their widows of the Mexican and Civil wars ~~or their widows~~, showing name of soldier and sailor, or his widow, age, rank of service, and description, and location of property. Indexed alphabetically by soldier's name. Handwritten on printed form. 100% x 7 x 8 x ½. C.C., Recorder's office.

58. TAX DEEDS, REGISTER OF, TITLE VARIES, 1846--. 2 vols.

(3, and 1 vol., not numbered). 1897-1924, missing.

Record of deeds given for land sold to satisfy taxes, showing date of sale, name of purchaser, quantity sold, purchase price, description of property, and date of deed. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 580 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. C.C., 1 vol., 1846-96, basement vault; v. 3, 1925--, Auditor's office.

59. TRANSFER BOOK, 1891--. 115 vols. (Numbering varies).

Record of all changes made in land ownership, showing name of owner, description of land, value of land and improvements, from and to whom transferred, date of deed, date of transfer, and fees. Arranged alphabetically by owner. Handwritten on printed form. 225 pp. 18 x 13 x 1½. C.C., 53 vols., 1891-1915, Commissioner's room, Auditor's office; 62 vols., 1916--, Auditor's office.

CLERK

The Clerk of the Circuit Court is a constitutional officer, elected for a four-year term, and not entitled to hold office more than eight years in any twelve-year period. (Indiana Const., Art. 6, Sec. 2; Burns, 49-2701 [1841].)

The Clerk preserves all records and writings filed in his office; procures all necessary judges' appearance, bar, judgment, and execution dockets, and order and final record books; attends the sessions of the of the Circuit Court and enters in the proper record book all orders, judgments, and decrees of the court; keeps a complete record of all causes where the title to land is involved, and of criminal causes where the punishment is death or imprisonment. He is authorized to receive all funds ordered to be paid into the court. (2 Indiana Rev. Stat. 1852; Acts 1859, 1867, 1875, 1879 Special Session, 1929, and 1933; Burns, 49-2701 to 49-2725 [1841-1857].)

Bonds

60. NOTARY PUBLIC BOND RECORD, 1854--. 7 vols. (1-7). Title varies.

Record of bonds of notaries public, and of township officials, showing name of officer, term of office, amount of bond, name of surety, and date recorded. Indexed alphabetically by person bonded. Handwritten on printed form. Condition fair. 330 pp. 15 x 11 x 2. C. C., v.1-3, 1854-93, basement vault; v. 4-7, 1893--, Clerk's office.

61. OFFICER'S BONDS, REGISTER OF, 1852-1913. 2 vols. (2, and 1 vol. not numbered).

Register of bonds of county and township officials, showing name of official, date commissioned, date of bond, amount, date of expiration, and name of surety. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 600 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. C.C., basement vault.

For later records, see entry 62.

62. OFFICIAL BOND RECORD, 1889--. 1 vol.

Transcript record of bonds of all county officials except Clerk, showing names of sureties, term of bond, amount, and oath of office. Indexed alphabetically by official. 1889-1904, handwritten; 1904--, typed. Condition fair. 600 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. C.C., Clerk's office.

For earlier records, see entry 61.

63. MISCELLANEOUS BOND RECORD, 1911--. 2 vols. (1-2).

Record of bonds posted for various purposes, such as release of prisoners, to insure against property damage, and to keep peace, showing name of person bonded, for what purpose, amount, and name of surety. Indexed alphabetically by person bonded. Handwritten on printed form. 600 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. C.C., Clerk's office.

Change of Venue

64. VENUE RECORD, 1893--. 4 vols. (3-4, and 2 vols., not numbered).

Record of court cases venued to other counties, showing cause number, names of parties, to what court venued, date filed, date of trial, names of jurors, and expenses of trial. Indexed alphabetically by defendant.

600 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. C.C., 2 unnumbered vols., 1893-1915, basement vault; v. 3-4, 1915--, Clerk's office.

Circuit Courts

65. ALLOWANCE, REGISTER OF, 1912-30. 1 vol.
Judges record of allowances, showing names of plaintiff and defendant, cause number, date, and amount allowed. Indexed alphabetically by defendant. Handwritten on printed form. 250 pp. 16 x 12 x 1½. C.C., Circuit Court room.

66. ASSIGNMENTS, RECORD OF, 1865-1907. 6 vols. (1-6).
Record of petitions for permission to sue on assigned mortgages, showing date of petition, names of mortgagor, mortgagee, and assignee, amount of mortgage, and description of property of mortgaged. Indexed alphabetically by assignee. Handwritten on printed form. 416 pp. 16 x 11 x 2½. C.C., v. 1-2,5, 1865-1893, 1899-1903, Clerk's office; v. 3-4,6, 1893-99, 1903-07, basement.

67. BENCH DOCKET, CIVIL, 1864-1912. 67 vols. (1-67).
Record of all civil cases, showing cause number, names of parties in action, nature of cause and proceedings, and disposition of case. Indexed alphabetically by plaintiff. Handwritten on printed form. 300 pp. 18 x 13 x 2. C.C., basement vault.

68. COMPLETE RECORD, CIVIL, 1838-1920. 28 vols. (1-28).
Record of complete narrative accounts of all proceedings in civil cases tried, showing cause number, names of parties, date of hearings, and final disposition of case. Indexed alphabetically by plaintiff. 1838-97, handwritten; 1897-1920 typed. 600 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. C.C., basement vault.

69. BENCH DOCKET, CRIMINAL, 1905-12. 3 vols. (1-3).

Record of State, or criminal cases, showing name of defendant, nature of crime, case number, name of Prosecuting Attorney, proceedings, and penalty given. Indexed alphabetically by defendant. Handwritten on printed form. 300 pp. 18 x 3 x 2. C.C., basement vault.

70. CRIMINAL ENTRY DOCKET, 1881-1932. 4 vols. (1-4). Title varies.

Record of criminal cases tried, and fees pertaining to cases, showing case number, name of defendant, nature of case, amount of fees charged, date, and amount of fees paid. Indexed alphabetically by defendant. Handwritten on printed form. 290 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. C.C., v. 1, 1881-1912, basement vault; v.2-4, 1912-32, Clerk's office.

For later records, see entry 74.

71. DITCH RECORD, 1881-1930. 1 vol.

Record of all drainage cases settled, showing name of ditch, location, date of petitions and remonstrances, proceedings and orders, and disposition of case. Indexed alphabetically by ditch. 1881-1904, handwritten; 1904-30, typed. 600 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. C.C., Clerk's record room.

For later records, see entry 84.

72. DOCKET, 1845-1912. 57 vols. (1-49, A-H).

Record of cases filed for trial, showing names of parties in action, nature of cause, date filed, docket number, and names of attorneys and witnesses. V. A-H, arranged chronologically; v. 1-49, indexed alphabetically by plaintiff. Handwritten. 300 pp. 18 x 13 x 2½. C.C., basement vault.

For later records, see entry 74.

73. DOCUMENTS, CRIMINAL, 1837-1911. 104 file boxes.

Record of documents and papers pertaining to criminal cases, showing date, names of defendant and plaintiff, nature of crime, statements, and affidavits of witness. Arranged chronologically. 5 x 4 x 10. C.C., basement.

74. ENTRY AND ISSUE DOCKET AND FEE BOOK, 1912--. 28 vols. (1-28).

Record of cases filed for jurisprudence, showing names of parties in action, date filed, nature of cause, amount of fees paid, by whom paid, and date paid. Indexed alphabetically by plaintiff. Handwritten on printed form. 300 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. C.C., Clerk's office.

For earlier records, see entry 72.

75. EXECUTION DOCKET, 1835--. 18 vols. (1-13, A-E).

Complete record of all executions on judgments, showing names of parties in action, amount involved, date writs served by Sheriff, and Sheriff's return of satisfaction. Indexed alphabetically by defendant. Handwritten on printed form. 300 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. C.C., v. 1-10, A-E, 1835-1912, Clerk's record room; v. 11-13, 1912--, Clerk's office.

76. FEE BOOK, CIVIL, 1850-1912. 29 vols. (3-13, 15-30; 2 vols. not numbered). V. 14, 1881-83, missing.

Record of fees paid in all civil cases, showing cause number, title of cause, to whom fees were charged, and receipt of satisfaction. Indexed

alphabetically by payee. Handwritten on printed form. 291 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. C.C., 3-19, 2 unnumbered vols., 1850-94, basement; v. 20-33, 1894-99, Clerk's record room; v. 24-30, 1899-1912, Clerk's office.

For later records, see entry 74.

77. FILES, GENERAL INDEX TO, not dated. 6 vols. (1-3; 3 vols. numbered 1; 2 vols., numbered 2).

Complete index to document files containing court papers, showing file box number, case number, and names of defendant and plaintiff. Arranged alphabetically by plaintiff and defendant. Handwritten. 500 pp. 18 x 13 x 2½. C.C., Clerk's record room.

78. INDICTMENT RECORD, 1861--. 3 vols. (6-7, and 1 vol. not numbered). 1865-1901, 1907-27, missing.

Transcript record of indictments, and minutes of preliminary hearings in each case considered by grand jury, showing name of defendant, name of attorney, nature of case, amount of bail, and decision by jury. Indexed alphabetically by person indicted. Handwritten. 422 pp. 16 x 11 x 2. C.C., Clerk's office.

79. INSANE RECORD, 1850-1928. 8 vols. Title varies.

Record of petitions for admission to commit to asylum, showing statements of physicians and other witnesses, order of discharge, Sheriff's warrant for return of patient and dates. Indexed alphabetically by patient.

Handwritten on printed form. 162 pp. 18 x 12 x 1. C.C., 1850-1908, Clerk's record room; 1908-28, Clerk's office.

For later records, see entry 84

80. JUDGMENT DOCKET, 1835--. 20 vols. (1-18, and 2 vols., not numbered). 1852-68, missing.

Record of all judgments rendered, showing names of parties in action, to whom judgment was awarded, date, amount of judgment, and transcript of judges decree. Indexed alphabetically by party awarded judgment. Handwritten on printed form. 450 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. C.C., Clerk's record room.

81. JUDGMENTS, ABSTRACT INDEX OF, 1873-1927. 2 vols. (1-2). General index to judgment docket, showing judgment docket reference, amount of judgments, names of parties in action, and in whose favor judgment rendered. Arranged alphabetically by judgment creditor. Handwritten on printed form. 600 pp. 20 x 13 x 3. C.C., Clerk's record room.

82. JURORS DOCKET, 1878-97. 2 vols.

Record of all jurors serving in courts, showing names of jurors, in what case served, days served, rate per day, and record of their mileage expense. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten. 200 pp. 13 x 10 x 1. C.C., 1 vol., 1878-88, basement, 1 vol., 1888-97, Sheriff's office.

83. LIS PENDENS RECORD, NOTICES AND SHERIFF CERTIFICATES OF SALE, 1877--. 7 vols. (4-5, 4 vols., not numbered, 2 vols., numbered 5).

Record of Sheriff's notice of attachment and certificate of sale, for land sold becauc of non-payment of taxes, showing date of notice,

description of property, date of sale, amount sold for, and to whom sold. Indexed alphabetically by original owner. Handwritten on printed form. 400 pp. 18 x 13 x 2. C.C., 1 vol., 1877-1906, basement vault; 6 vols., 1906--, Clerk's office.

84. ORDER BOOK, CIVIL, 1835--. 77 vols. (A-B, 3-77).
Official record of all civil proceedings, showing cause number, names of parties involved, date of action, and final disposition of case. Indexed alphabetically by title of cause. Handwritten. 650 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. C.C., Clerk's office.

85. PRAECIPE FOR EXECUTION, 1922-31. 1 vol.
Record of orders directing Clerk to issue writs of executions, showing title of cause, amount of judgment and interest, date of praecipe, and date of writ. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 150 pp. 14 x 12 x 1. C.C., Clerk's record room.

86. QUIET TITLE RECORD, 1911--. 1 vol.
Record copies of quiet title deeds, showing date title was quieted, names of grantor and grantee, and description and location of property. Arranged alphabetically by petitioner. Typed. 600 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. C.C., Recorder's office.

87. RECOGNIZANCE BOND RECORD, 1882--. 2 vols. (2 vols. numbered 1).
1894-1921, missing.
Record of bonds posted to insure appearance of defendant in court, showing date of bond, name of defendant, charge, amount of bond, names of sureties, and name of Sheriff. Indexed alphabetically by person bonded. Handwritten on printed form. 500 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. C. C., v. 1, 1882-94, basement vault; v. 1, 1921--. Clerk's office.

88. REDEMPTION RECORD, 1879-1913. 2 vols. (2 vols. numbered 1). Record of property redeemed which had previously been sold for taxes, showing by whom redeemed, date property was sold, amount sold for, date of redemption, and description of property. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 591 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. C.C., basement vault.

89. RILEY HOSPITAL, FEEBLE MINDED AND EPILEPSY, 1929--. 1 vol. Record of petitions seeking to commit patients to Riley hospital, feeble minded home and epilepsy institution, showing statements of physicians and witnesses, and orders of court. Indexed alphabetically by patient. Handwritten. 650 pp. 18 x 13 x 4. C.C., Clerk's office.

90. SALES, CERTIFICATES OF, 1877-1914. 30 file boxes. Record of certificates of sales turned over to the Clerk by Sheriff in the execution of judgments, showing name of party, date of judgment, and sale, amount of judgment and sale, and against whom rendered. Arranged chronologically. 5 x 4 x 10. C.C., basement.

91. SUPPORT DOCKET, 1912--. 2 vols. (1-2). Record of support money ordered by court to be paid to Clerk, showing amount and date received, date paid out, signature of Clerk and recipient. Indexed alphabetically by recipient. Handwritten on printed form. 420 pp. 16 x 12 x 2½. C.C., Clerk's office.

92. TRANSCRIPTS, FEE BOOK, 1890-1923. 1 vol. (J). Record of justice of peace court fees, showing amount of fees, to whom charged, amount due county, and distribution of fees to proper accounts. Indexed alphabetically by title of case. Handwritten on printed form. 600 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. C.C., Clerk's record room.

93. TRANSCRIPTS, ORDER BOOK, 1879--. 8 vols. (K-R).
Transcript record of cases tried in justice of peace courts and appealed to Circuit Court, showing date, names of parties involved, orders issued by justice of peace, and date appealed. Indexed alphabetically by title of case. Handwritten. 588 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. C.C., v. K-O, 1879-96, basement; v. P-R, 1897--, Clerk's record room.

For earlier records, see entry 97.

94. TRANSCRIPTS, JUDGMENT DOCKET, 1853--. 7 vols. (A-B, D-H).
Record of transcripts of judgments as rendered by justice of peace. court, Federal court, or other counties pertaining to cases, in Wabash county, showing names of plaintiff and defendant, date, amount of judgments, and receipt of satisfaction. Indexed alphabetically by defendant. Handwritten on printed form. Condition fair. 300 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. C.C., v. A-B, D-G, 1853-1909, Clerk's record room; v. H, 1909--. Clerk's office.

Court, Common Pleas

95. FEE BOOK, (CIVIL), 1844-99. 11 vols. (A-I, 2 vols. not numbered). 1850-53, missing.
Record of fees paid in civil cases, showing from whom fees were collected, cause, amount paid, and page reference to cash book. Indexed alphabetically by payee. Handwritten on printed form. 816 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. C.C., basement.

96. FEE BOOK, PROBATE, 1858-79. 7 vols. (1-5, 7-8).
Record of fees paid, showing name of party ordered to pay, amount of fees, and record of payments made. Indexed alphabetically by payee. Handwritten on printed form. 750 pp. 17 x 9 x 2. C.C., basement.

97. TRANSCRIPTS, ORDER BOOK, 1853-79. 11 vols. (A-K).

Transcript record of cases tried in justice of peace courts, and appealed, showing date, names of parties involved, and orders issued by justice of peace. Indexed alphabetically by title of case. Handwritten. 588 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. C.C., basement.

For later records, see entry 93.

Courts, Probate

98. ADMINISTRATOR'S ACCOUNT BOOK, 1907-14. 1 vol.

Record of administrator's reports of receipts and disbursements, showing name of estate, name of administrator or executor, date letters issued, and itemized receipts and disbursements incurred in settlement of estate. Indexed alphabetically by estate. Handwritten on printed form. 400 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. C.C., Clerk's record room.

99. ADMINISTRATOR'S AND EXECUTORS' AND GUARDIANS' BONDS FOR SALE OF REAL ESTATE, 1849-63. 2 vols. (2 vols. numbered 1).

Record of bonds posted by administrators, executors, and guardians to insure estate against loss of funds to be obtained as a result of sale of real estate, showing name of administrator, executor, or guardian, description of estate, date and amount of bond, and bondsman. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 300 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. C.C., basement vault.

For later records, see entry 100.

100. ADMINISTRATOR'S AND EXECUTORS' ADDITIONAL BOND RECORD, 1912--. 1 vol.

Record of additional bonds posted by administrators and executors to insure estate against loss of funds to be obtained by sale of real

estate, showing name of administrator or executor, description of land to be sold, amount and term of bond, and names of sureties. Indexed alphabetically by person bonded. Handwritten on printed form. 600 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. C.C., Clerk's record room.

For earlier records, see entry 99.

101. ADMINISTRATORS BOND, RECORD OF, 1852--. 7 vols. (1-7). Record of the bonds of persons appointed as administrators of estates, showing name of administrator, date bond filed, name, description and value of estate, amount of bond, and name of surety. Indexed alphabetically by administrator. Handwritten on printed form. 574 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. C.C., v.1-4, 1852-1917, basement vault; v. 5, 1917-26, Clerk's record room; v. 6-7, 1926--, Clerk's office.

102. APPEARANCE DOCKET, 1853-1915. 6 vols. (1-6). Record of appearances made by creditors in the settlement of estates, showing name of estate, names of claimants, amount of claim, date filed, amounts allowed by court, and receipt of satisfaction. Indexed alphabetically by estate. Handwritten. 300 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. C.C., v.1, 5-6, 1853-58, 1879-1915, Clerk's record room; v. 2-4, 1858-79, basement vault.

For later records, see entry 106.

103. BENCH DOCKET, ESTATE, AND GUARDIANSHIPS, 1862-1912. 16 vols. (1-16). Record of all probate cases, showing name of estate, guardian, executor, and administrator, description and value of estate, date letters filed, amount of bond, and name of surety. Indexed alphabetically by estate. Handwritten on printed form. 250 pp. 18 x 13 x 2½. C.C., basement vault.

104. CASES, INDEX OF, 1920--. 1 vol.

Judges index of cases, showing page and book reference to order book, fee book, also criminal, civil, estates, trusts, and guardianships. Indexed alphabetically by title of case. Handwritten on printed form. 400 pp. 17 x 14 x 2½. C. C., Circuit Court room.

105. COMPLETE RECORD, 1835-1923. 82 vols. (1-82).

Complete narrative account and history of all probate cases, showing case number, name of estate and administrator, date letters filed, amount of bond, and proceedings. Indexed alphabetically by title of case. 1835-97, handwritten; 1897-1923, typed. 600 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. C.C., basement.

106. ESTATE ENTRY CLAIM AND ALLOWANCE DOCKET, AND FEE BOOK, 1861--.

13 vols. (1-9. 2 sets, 1-4). 1891-1912, missing. Title varies. Record of entry docket, showing name of estate and administrator, appraised value of inventory, record of claims allowed to creditors, amount of fees, and date of settlement. Indexed alphabetically by estate. Handwritten on printed form. 300 pp. 18 x 7 x 3. C.C., v.1-4, 1861-91, basement vault. V.1-9, 1922--, Clerk's office.

107. ESTATES, GENERAL INDEX TO, 1874-77. 1 vol.

General index to records containing information relative to estates held in trust, showing name of decedent, name of administrator or executor, amount of bond, date of letter, book and page, reference to order book, fee book, Clerk's docket, appearance docket, inventory record, sale bill record, bond record, account record, complete record, will record, and date of discharge. Arranged alphabetically by decedent. Handwritten on printed form. 300 pp. 18 x 12 x 1½. C.C., basement vault.

108. EXECUTOR'S BONDS, OATHS, AND LETTERS, 1852-1932. 2 vols. (1-2).

Record of the application and appointment of executor's of estates, showing name of decedent, and executor, date and amount of bond, description and value of estate, name of surety, and names of heirs. Indexed alphabetically by executor. Handwritten on printed form. 450 pp. 14 x 12 x 3. C.C., v.1, 1852-1906, basement vault; v.2, 1906-32, Clerk's office.

109. FEE BOOK, PROBATE, 1879-1912. 13 vols. (9-21).

Record of fees paid as ordered by Judge of Circuit Court, showing case number, name of party ordered to pay, amount of fees, and date payment received. Indexed alphabetically by title of case. Handwritten on printed form. 17 x 9 x 2. C.C., basement.

For earlier records, see entry 96.

For later records, see entry 106.

110. FEES AND FUNDS HELD IN TRUST, REGISTER OF, 1912--. 5 vols. (4-7, and 1 vol., not numbered).

Record of fees other than county fees held in trust, showing date received, from whom, amount, date disbursed, ~~and~~ to whom paid, and amount. Arranged alphabetically by recipient. Handwritten on printed form. 300 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. C.C., 1 unnumbered vol. 1912-14, basement vault; v. 4-7, 1914--, Clerk's office.

For earlier records, see entry 122.

111. GUARDIANS BONDS, OATHS, AND LETTERS, RECORD OF, 1853--. 5 vols. (1-5).

Record of the appointment and bonding of guardians, showing names of guardians, and wards, reason for guardianship, date bond filed, name

of surety, and amount of bond. Indexed alphabetically by guardian. Handwritten on printed form. 400 pp. 14 x 12 x 3. C.C., Clerk's record room.

112. GUARDIANSHIP ACCOUNT BOOK, 1911-15. 1 vol.
Record of guardians reports of receipts and disbursements, showing name of guardian and ward, date of report, and itemized receipts and disbursrments in guardship cases. Indexed alphabetically by ward. Handwritten on printed form. 400 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. C.C., Clerk's record room.

113. GUARDIANSHIP DOCKET AND FEE BOOK, 1912--. 2 vols. (1-2).
Record of guardianship cases and fees paid by guardians, showing name of guardian, amount of bond, names and ages of wards, date reports made, itemized fees, and record of payments. Indexed alphabetically by guardian. Handwritten on printed form. 300 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. C.C., Clerk's office.

For earlier records, see entry 103.

114. INHERITANCE TAX AND TRANSFER RECORD, 1913--. 8 vols. (2-8, 1 vol. not numbered).
Register of inheritance tax accounts, showing date, name of estate, name of administrator or executor, value of estate, name of attorney, and heirs, age, residence, relationship, amount of inheritance, amount of exemption, rate of tax, and amount of tax. Indexed alphabetically by estate. Handwritten on printed form. 200 pp. 14 x 12 x 1½. C.C., Circuit Court room.

115. INVENTORY, RECORD OF, 1852--. 15 vols. (1-15).
Record of real and personal property, and the appraised value

thereof; as filed with the court to determine inheritance tax and settlements of estates. Indexed alphabetically by decedent. Handwritten. 579 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. C.C., v. 1-10, 1852-1910, basement; v. 11-12, 1910-22, Clerk's record room; v. 13-15, 1922--, Clerk's office.

116. LETTERS OF GUARDIANSHIP, DOCKET OF, 1849-53. 1 vol. Record of guardianship letters, showing name of guardian and wards, ages of wards, amount of bond posted, name of surety, and signature of guardian. Handwritten. 500 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. C.C., basement vault.

117. ORDER BOOK, 1835--. 48 vols. (1-45. 2 sets, 1-3). Record of all court proceedings, showing name of estate, name of administrator, value of inventory, bonds and letters and final settlement of case. V. 1-3, arranged chronologically; v.1-45, indexed alphabetically by estate. Handwritten. 450 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. C.C., 2-3, 1842-52, Clerk's record room.

118. PARTITION RECORD, 1855-1911. 16 vols. (1-16). Record of partition suits, showing dates, names of parties to action, legal description and location of land, names of Commissioners in partition and their fees. Indexed alphabetically by plaintiff and defendant. 1855-1909, handwritten; 1909-11, typed on printed form. 600 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. C.C., Clerk's record room.

For later records, see entry 117.

119. SALE BILLS, RECORD OF, 1852-1932. 7 vols. (1-7). Record of the sale of personal property of deceased, showing list of articles sold, to whom sold, amount sold for, terms and date of sale,

and signature of Clerk. Indexed alphabetically by decedent. Handwritten. 590 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. C.C., v. 1-6, 1852-1916, basement vault; v. 7, 1916-32, Clerk's office.

120. TRUST ESTATE FEE BOOK, 1919--. 1 vol.

Record of fees paid by trustees of estates, showing name of decedent, name and address of trustee, amount of bond, appraised value of estate, and amount of fees paid. Indexed alphabetically by decedent. Handwritten on printed form. 177 pp. 18 x 13 x 2. C.C., Clerk's office.

121. WILL RECORD, 1842--. 9 vols.

Transcript record of last will and testaments of decedents, showing date will was made, bequests to heirs, names of witnesses, name of administrator or executor, and name of testator. Indexed alphabetically by testator. 1842-1904, handwritten; 1904--, typed. 600 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. C.C., Clerk's office.

122. WITNESS AND OTHER FEES, REGISTER OF, 1875-1915. 3 vols. (1-3).

Record of witness and other fees to be paid, showing name of party paying fees, for whom paid, cause, date and amount received, and date and amount paid. Indexed alphabetically by recipient. Handwritten on printed form. 600 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. C.C., v. 2-3, 1887-1915, basement vault. 1; v. 1, 1875- 87, basement.

For later records, see entry 110.

Elections

123. ABSENT VOTERS, RECORD OF, 1918-26. 4 vols. (1 and 3 vols. not numbered).

Record of applications for absent voters ballots, showing name and

address of applicant, date ballot mailed, and date returned to election inspector. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 50 pp. 17 x 14 x ½. C.C., basement.

124. ELECTION RECORD OF, 1890--. 2 vols. (1-2).
Record of official election returns for each candidate in primary and fall elections, showing precinct numbers, township names, and names of candidates. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. Condition fair. 200 pp. 18 x 13 x 2. C.C., Clerk's record room.

125. REGISTERED VOTERS FILE, 1934--. 5 file drawers.
Record of voters registration, showing name, address, ward and precinct numbers, place of birth, registration number, and any change of address. Arranged alphabetically by voter. 8 x 21 x 28. C.C., Clerk's record room.

Licenses and Registers

126. DENTAL LICENSE, RECORD OF, 1899-1932. 2 vols.
Record of applications by dentists for permits to practice their profession, showing name of applicant, age, address, place of birth, and statement of dentist that he has been granted a license, and statement by Clerk that dentist has complied with law. Indexed alphabetically by dentist. Handwritten on printed form. 185 pp. 16 x 11 x ¾. C.C., Clerk's office.

127. ENROLLMENT OF SOLDIERS, 1890. 1 vol.
Register of Civil War soldiers deceased and of their widows, and orphans, showing name and detail of rank, service, and personal details. Arranged alphabetically by soldier. Handwritten on printed form. 800 pp. 14 x 9 x 4. C.C., Clerk's record room.

128. ESTRAY RECORD, 1858-1915. 1 vol.

Record of strayed livestock, showing description of livestock, number of head strayed, kind of stock, and name of owner. Indexed alphabetically by owner. Handwritten on printed form. 500 pp. 14 x 11 x 2. C.C., basement vault.

129. FIRMS AND PARTNERSHIPS ENGEGED IN BUSINESS, UNDER NAME OTHER THAN THEIR OWN, CERTIFICATES OF, 1921-33. 1 vol.

Record of partnership agreements, showing names of parties, kind of business proposed, name under which business is to be carried on, date filed, and notarized statements. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 600 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. C.C., Clerk's office.

130. INSURANCE CERTIFICATES, REGISTER OF, 1875-1919. 1 vol.

Register of certificates issued to insurance companies permitting them to do business, showinf name of company, and agent, term, kind of insurance, and certificate number. Indexed alphabetically by company. Handwritten on printed form. 150 pp. 14 x 12 x $\frac{3}{4}$. C.C., basement.

131. JUNK DEALERS LICENSE, 1905-26, 2 vols.

Record of licenses issued to persons to buy junk, showing name of dealer, date, and description of premises where business is to be situated. Indexed alphabetically by dealer. Handwritten. 171 pp. 13 x 9 x $\frac{3}{4}$. C.C., 1 vol., 1919-26, Clerk's record room; 1 vol., 1905-19, basement vault.

132. MARRIAGE APPLICATIONS, 1837-1914. 147 file boxes.

Record of marriage applications, showing name of bride and groom, and their parents, age, race, occupation, and condition of health of bride and groom. Arranged chronologically. 5 x 4 x 10. C.C., basement.

For later records, see entry 133.

133. MARRIAGE RECORD, MARRIAGE AFFIDAVITS, 1835--. 41 vols.

(2 sets, 1-18, and 5 vols. not numbered). 1845-71, missing.

Record of marriage applications and returns, showing names bride and groom, ages, address, place of birth, names of parents, nationality, and return of party performing marriage ceremony. 2 vols., 1835-44, arranged chronologically; 39 vols. 1845--, indexed alphabetically by groom. Handwritten on printed form. 300 pp. 16 x 12 x 2½. C.C., 3 unnumbered vols., 1871-95, basement vault; 2 unnumbered vols., 1835-44, 36 vols. 2 sets, 1-18, Clerk's record room.

134. PATENT RIGHT RECORD, 1869-70. 1 vol.

Record of letters of issuance of patent rights, showing to whom patent is granted, age, occupation, and address of person receiving patent. Indexed alphabetically by person to whom patent was granted. Handwritten on printed form. 200 pp. 16 x 11 x 1½. C.C., Clerk's office.

135. PETTY MONEY LENDERS LICENSE, 1913-16. 1 vol.

Record of affidavits of persons seeking a license to loan small sums , showing date, name of applicant, name of loan company, amount to which loans were limited, name of county and town, building and rooms, and street number. Indexed alphabetically by applicant. Handwritten on printed form. 420 pp. 18 x 13 x 2. C.C., Clerk's record room.

136. PHYSICIANS LICENSE, RECORD OF, 1885--. 4 vols. Title varies.

Record of applications for permission to practice medicine, showing name of physician, date of application, place of residence, details

of State board, and ability to practice. Indexed alphabetically by physician. Handwritten on printed form. 291 pp. 18 x 12 x 1½. C.C., Clerk's office.

137. POULTRY DEALER'S RECORD, 1928-34. 1 vol.
Record of application for permits to engage in buying and selling of poultry, showing date, name of applicant, place of business, and address. Indexed alphabetically by applicant. Handwritten on printed form. 300 pp. 12 x 8 x 1. C.C., Clerk's office.

138. SIRE LICENSE, APPLICATION FOR, 1889-1913. 1 vol.
Record of applications for licenses for animals to act as sires for fees, showing name of sire, date of birth, description, registry numbers, breeding, pedigree details, applicant's signature, and Clerk's statement of issuance of license. Indexed alphabetically by owner. Handwritten on printed form. 240 pp. 18 x 12 x 1. C.C., Clerk's record room.

139. VETERINARY RECORD, 1899-1903. 1 vol.
Record of applications by veterinaries for permits to practice their profession, showing applications for certificate upon diploma to practice veterinary medicine or surgery, five years farmer's practice, freeholders affidavits, and veterinarians certificate. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 150 pp. 18 x 12 x ¾. C.C., Clerk's record room.

140. WITNESS AFFIDAVIT REGISTER, 1882-1915. 2 vols.
Record of witnesses appearing in court, showing cause number, name of plaintiff and defendant, names of witnesses, days served, mileage charges, and signed affidavits by witnesses.

Indexed alphabetically by witness. Handwritten on printed form. Condition fair. 675 pp. 18 x 13 x 1½. C.C., basement vault.

Naturalizations

141. NATURALIZATION RECORD, 1854-1928. 9 vols. (1-2, and 7 vols. not numbered).

Record of petitions made by aliens seeking U. S. citizenship, showing name, age, native county, date arrived, affidavits of witness, oath of allegiance of alien, and decision made by court. Indexed alphabetically by applicant. Handwritten on printed form. 100 pp. 18 x 12 x 1½. C.C., v. 1-2, 1854-1902, basement vault; 7 unnumbered vols. 1903-28, Clerk's record room.

Receipts and Disbursements

142. DAILY BALANCE AND CASH STATEMENT, 1887--. 22 vols.

Record of cash balance in the form of weekly or semi weekly postings of total receipts, total disbursements, and bank deposits, showing receipts of costs due county, fees, trust funds, fish and game license, disbursements, depository balances, and cash balance, account of money in drawer. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 360 pp. 11 x 10 x 1½. C.C., 17 vols., 1887-1920, basement vault; 5 vols., 1920--, Clerk's office.

COMMISSIONERS, COUNTY

The Board of Commissioners is a statutory body consisting of three qualified electors, elected for three years on party tickets at the general elections. (1 Indiana Rev. Stat. 1852; Acts 1929; Burns, 26-601 /5913/).

The Board of Commissioners holds twelve monthly sessions. It makes orders respecting the property of the county, sells, purchases, takes care of, and preserves the property. It allows all accounts chargeable against the county not otherwise provided for and directs the raising of the sums necessary for expenses, audits accounts of all officers, provides election supplies, and maintains highways. It may abolish or change township or precinct boundary lines, establish libraries and hospitals, aid war verteans, pay bounties, offer rewards, and appoint deputy sheriffs, highway, and drainage commissioners. (1 Indiana Rev. Stat. 1852; Acts 1863, 1865, 1879 Special Session, 1885, 1897, 1907, 1913, 1921, and 1929; Burns, 26-601 to 26-639, /5913-6103/).

Bridges, Ditches and Roads

143. DITCH RECORD, 1902-06. 1 vol.
Record of proceedings of meetings concerning ditches, showing name of ditch, location, and number of acres benefited. Indexed alphabetically by ditch. 1902-04, handwritten on printed form; 1904-06, typed on printed form. Condition fair. 291 pp. 18 x 13 x 2. C.C., Commissioner's room, Auditor's office.

144. ESTIMATES OF ROADS AND BRIDGES, 1855-87. 1 vol.
Record of estimates submitted on roads and bridges, showing date, name

of party submitting estimates, cost and description of work. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten. 50 pp. 7 x 6 x ½. C.C., Commissioner's room, Auditor's office.

145. ROAD RECORD, 1866-1920. 4 vols. (1-3, 1 vol not numbered). Record of road contracts, showing nature of contract, date awarded, amount, name of contractor, amount paid on contract, to whom paid, and warrant number. Arranged chronologically. 1866-1905, handwritten on printed form; 1905-20, typed on printed form. 591 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. C.C., Commissioner's room, Auditor's office.

For earlier and later information, see entry 150

Claims

146. CLAIM AND ALLOWANCE DOCKET, 1841--. 20 vols. (numbering varies). Record of claims allowed, showing claim number, date filed, ~~whom~~ in favor of, amount of claim, amount allowed, and warrant number. Arranged chronologically. 1841-1907, handwritten; 1908--, typed. 591 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. C.C., 7 vols., 1841-1901, basement vault; 4 vols., 1901-11, basement; 9 vols., 1912--, Commissioner's room, Auditor's office.

For earlier record, see entry 150.

147. CLAIMS, 1835--. 120 file boxes.
Record of claims presented for materials or services, showing name of claimant, amount of claim, nature of claim, and amount allowed. Arranged chronologically. 5 x 4 x 9½. C.C., Commissioner's room, Auditor's office.

148. CONTRACTS FOR QUARTERLY PAYMENTS, REGISTER OF, 1888-91. 1 vol.
Record of installments due and payments made on contracts, showing date

due, name of contract, to whom paid, and amount. Arranged chronologically. Condition fair. 60 pp. 10 x 7 x $\frac{1}{2}$. C.C., Commissioner's room, Auditor's office.

Proceedings and Reports

149. PETITIONS, 1835--. 258 file boxes and drawers. Record of petitions of property owners for improvements, showing names of signers, purpose, and date. Arranged chronologically. File boxes, 5 x 4 x 9$\frac{1}{2}$; drawers, 3 x 11 x 23. C.C., 1835-87, Commissioner's room, Auditor's office, 1888--, Auditor's office.

150. RECORD, 1832--. 31 vols. (numbering varies). Record of proceedings of meetings, showing transcripts of contracts and agreements. 1853-69, indexed alphabetically by subject in General Index to Commissioner's Records. 1869--, Indexed alphabetically by person or subject. 1832-1905, handwritten; 1905--, typed. 600 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. C.C., Commissioner's room, Auditor's office.

For General Index to Commissioner's Records, see entry 151.

151. RECORDS, GENERAL INDEX TO, 1835-69. (2 vols. numbered 1). Index of miscellaneous transactions referring to action number, years, book page, and name of parties involved. Arranged alphabetically by subject. Handwritten on printed form. 235 pp. 18 x 12 x 2. C.C., basement.

COUNCIL, COUNTY

The County Council is composed of seven members. ------- County is divided into four councilmanic districts with one councilman elected by the electors of each district, and three others elected at large by the electors of the entire County (Acts 1899; Burns, 26-502 /5863/). They hold office for four years (Acts 1899; Burns, 26-505 /5866/). The Council elects its president (Acts 1899; Burns, 26-507 /5868/), the Auditor acts as clerk (Acts 1899; Burns, 26-509 /5870/), and the Sheriff executes the orders of the Council (Acts 1899; Burns, 26-510 /5871/).

The power of fixing the tax rate for county purposes, and for all purposes where the rate not fixed by law is required to be uniform throughout the county, is vested in the Council, as well as the power of making appropriations of money to be paid out of the county treasury (Acts 1899; Burns, 26-515 /5876/).

The Council passes on all budget estimates submitted by county officials (Acts 1899; Burns, 26-520 /5881/), as well as emergency appropriations (Acts 1899; 1907, 1913; Burns, 26-521 /5882/).

The Council has the exclusive power to authorize the borrowing of money for the county and the issuing of bonds (Acts 1899, 1921, 1929; Burns, 26-532 /5893/). No sale or purchase by the county of real estate of the value of $1,000 or more shall take place without authorization of the Council (Acts 1899; Burns, 26-534 /5895/).

152. COUNCIL, RECORD OF, 1899--. 1 vol.

Record of minutes of meetings, showing ordinances, appropriations, and tax adjustments. Arranged chronologically. 1899-1905, handwritten, 1906--, typed. 584 pp. 18 x 12 x 3. C.C., Commissioner's room, Auditor's office.

The Board of Wabash County Commissioners constitutes the Board of Finance. The Auditor acts as secretary. The board may sue and be sued in its own name whenever necessary to accomplish the purposes intended by its creation.

The Board of Finance has charge of and controls the funds of Wabash County (Acts 1907; Burns, 61-606 /12616/).

The Board of Finance selects the depository for county funds. It approves the purchase of U. S. Government bonds or other interest-bearing obligations of the U. S. Government. It invites proposals to receive public funds on deposit, recieves proposals, and creates and revokes depositories. (Acts 1907, 1909, 1931; Burns, 61-610 to 61-613 /12620-26/).

The General Assembly of 1935 repealed the act establishing this board (Acts 1935; Burns, 1935 Supplement, 61-606), and in the same session in the "Depository Act of 1935," re-established the Board of Finance practically unaltered (Acts 1935; Burns, 1936 Supplement, 61-622, 61-629).

153. BOARD OF FINANCE, RECORD, 1907--. 1 vol.
Record of proceedings of meetings concerning depositories, showing bonds of depositories, name of sureties, and their affidavits. Arranged chronologically. Typed on printed form. 498 pp. 16 x 12 x 2. C.C., Commissioner's room, Auditor's office.

HEALTH COMMISSIONER

The Health Commissioner is elected by the County Commissioners for a four-year term and is not restricted or limited as to the number of years he may serve (Burns, 35-108 /8158/).

It is the duty of the Health Commissioner to study and check contagious diseases in the various communities, wherever and whenever possible, and advise and counsel various persons interested in the control of diseases. He is required to maintain records of births, deaths, marriages, make dairy inspections, food inspections, and hold regular examinations of pupils in the various schools of Wabash County at regular intervals. (Acts 1891; Burns, 35-108 /8158/.)

The Health Commissioner has his official records at the courthouse and at his private residence. The incumbent is Dr. Arthur J. Steffens, who resides at 113 So. Miami St., Wabash Ind., the county seat.

154. BIRTHS, RECORD OF, 1882--. 11 vols. Title varies. Record of births, showing place, name, sex, single or multiple, number in order of birth, premature, legitimate, father's name, address, color, age, birthplace, number of children, and date of return. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 200 pp. 18 x 12 x 1. C.C., 10 vols., 1887--, Dr. Arthur J. Steffen's residence, 113 So. Miami St., Wabash Ind; 1 vol., 1882-86, Clerk's office.

155. CONTAGIOUS DISEASES, 1899--. 3 vols. Record of contagious diseases, showing name of disease, family, address, name of patient, age, sex, race, date of report, address, and record number. Indexed alphabetically by patient. Handwritten on printed form. 300 pp. 15 x 10 x 1½. Dr. Arthur J. Steffen's residence, 113 So. Miami St., Wabash Ind.

156. DEATHS, RECORD OF, 1882--. 5 vols.

Record of deaths, showing name of deceased, age, sex, race, residence, single, married or widow, cause, occupation, birthplace, place of death, mother's maiden name and birthplace, date, by whom reported, and address. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 300 pp. 15 x 10 x 1½. Dr. Arthur J. Steffen's residence, 113 So. Miami St., Wabash Ind.

157. MARRIAGE RECORD, 1898--. 12 vols.

Record of marriages and licenses, showing name, residence, occupation, age, race, place of birth, nationality of father and mother ~~and their names~~, mother's maiden name, number, and date of marriage. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 300 pp. 16 x 11 x 1½. Dr. Arthur J. Steffen's residence, 113 So. Miami St., Wabash Ind.

HIGHWAY SUPERVISOR

The county highway system was, at one time, administered by the Superintendent of Highways who was appointed by the County Commissioners for a term of four years, and some records bear his name and title. This office was established in 1913 and abolished March 1, 1933; and the powers and duties given to the Surveyor (Acts 1913, 1933, Burns, 36-1113). In order to provide for necessary supervision in counties warranting more attention than the Surveyor can give, the Board of County Commissioners of any county of the State of Indiana has the right to employ any person other than the Surveyor as supervisor of county highways, and such officer is called the Highway Supervisor (Acts 1933; Burns, 36-1110). The Board of Commissioners of Wabash County has appointed a separate Highway Supervisor.

The Highway Supervisor of Wabash County has general supervision of the repair of all highways, bridges, and culverts of the county. It is his duty to see that the mail routes are kept open. He must attend the annual road school at Purdue University. (Acts 1933; Burns, 36-1101 to 36-1109).

158. APPROPRIATIONS AND DISBURSEMENTS, 1934--. 1 vol. Record of appropriations and disbursements, showing amount appropriated and disbursed, purpose, date, and to whom payments were made. Arranged alphabetically by appropriation. Typed on printed form. 150 pp. 14 x 12 x $\frac{3}{4}$. Highway Supervisor's office, private building at end of Manchester ave, Wabash, Ind.

159. BILLS, 1927--. 61 file boxes. 1929 and prior 1927, missing.

Record of bills for highway materials and services, showing kind and cost of materials and services, itemized statement, and total amount of bills. Arranged chronologically. 12 x 12 x 3. Highway Supervisor's office, private building at end of Manchester Ave., Wabash, Ind.

160. LEDGER, 1934--. 1 vol.

Record of garage expenses, showing cost of supplies, repair and upkeep on trucks, road machinery and labor. Handwritten on printed form. Condition fair. 495 pp. 13 x 9 x 1. Highway Supervisor's office, private building at end of Manchester Ave., Wabash, Ind.

Maps

161. WABASH COUNTY, INDIANA, 1934. 1 map.

Communications map, showing ~~roads, [illegible]~~ gravel roads, pits, sections of roads in townships, and kinds of roads indicated by different colors. Drawn by Surveyor. Printed and colored. Scale, ½" to 1 mile. 36 x 60. Highway Supervisor's office in private building at end of Manchester Ave., Wabash, Ind.

162. WABASH COUNTY, not dated. 2 maps.

Communications maps, showing roads of townships, location and size of gravel pits, and sections of roads graveled and being graveled. Drawn by Surveyor. Printed and colored. Scale, 1" to 1 mile. 18 x 30. Highway Supervisor's office in private building at end of Manchester Ave., Wabash, Ind.

PUBLIC WELFARE, BOARD OF

The Board of Public Welfare of Wabash County consists of five persons having a recognized interest in and knowledge of the problems of public welfare. The board is appointed by the judge of the Circuit Court; at least two members must be women and not more than three members may be adherents of any one political party. (Acts 1936, Burns, 52-1118).

Subject to the rules and regulations of the State department of public welfare, the county board is charged with the administration of assistance to dependent children in their own homes, old-age assistance, services and assistance to persons otherwise handicapped, the care and treatment of dependent, neglected, and handicapped children, children in danger of becoming delinquent, and other welfare activities as may be delegated to it by the State department of public welfare, under the provisions of the act, including services connected with assistance to the blind.

The director, who is appointed by the Board of Public Welfare of Wabash County under the supervisision of the Circuit Court; performs the functions of probation officer and agent of the court. (Acts 1936, Burns, 52-1119, 52-1120).

A Board of Childrens' Guardians, which was established in 1889 to care for neglected children, was abolished by the 1926 act and jurisdiction was transferred to the Board of Public Welfare (Acts 1936; Burns, 52-1121).

All jurisdiction vested in county boards pertaining to welfare work was transferred to the County Board of Public Welfare in 1936 (Acts 1936; Burns, 52-1408).

163. AGED PERSONS, RECORD OF ASSISTANCE GIVEN, 1936. 1 vol.

Record of assistance given to aged persons, showing name of party helped, address, monthly award, certificate number, date effective, date of payment, amount allowed, warrant number, and amount of warrant. Arranged chronologically. Typed on printed form. 200 pp. 9 x 15 x ½. C.C., Welfare Department office.

164. APPLICATIONS, REGISTER OF, 1936. 1 vol.

Record of applications for aid for blind and dependent children and old age assistance, showing date of application, code and serial number, name of applicant, sex, name of investigator, date of action, and whether awarded or rejected. Arranged chronologically. Typed on printed form. 100 pp. 9 x 15 x ½. C.C., Welfare Department office.

165. CLAIMS FILED AND APPROVED AND WARRANTS ISSUED, REGISTER OF, 1936. 1 vol.

Record of claims filed and approved, and warrants issued, showing page number, code number, date, name of claimant, warrant number and amount, name of appropriation charged to, and account charged to. Arranged numerically by claim number. Typed on printed form. 100 pp. 12 x 15 x ½. C.C., Welfare Department office.

166. CONTINUATION SHEETS, 1936. 1 vol.

Record of assistance to dependent children in custody of relatives, showing code, page, serial number, date, number and amount of warrant, name of payee, address, number of children, ~~amount~~ eligible for Federal aid, total amount, appropriation and charge number, amount, and verification of director. Arranged chronologically. Typed on printed form. 100 pp. 12 x 18 x ½. C.C., Welfare Department office.

167. DEPENDENT CHILDREN, RECORD OF ASSISTANCE GIVEN, 1936. 1 vol.
Record of assistance given dependent children, showing monthly award, name of parent and child, address, age, amount eligible, warrant number, and date of payment. Arranged chronologically. Typed on printed form. 100 pp. 9 x 15 x ½. C.C., Welfare Department office.

168. OLD AGE PENSION RECORD, 1933--. 1 vol.
Record of applications for old aid pensions and action taken, showing name, age, address, length of county residence, financial condition, and name of relatives. Arranged alphabetically by applicant. Typed on printed form. 500 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. C.C., Welfare Department office.

169. RECOMMENDATIONS OF DIRECTOR, 1936. 1 vol.
Record of recommendations and action of awards, revocations, and rejections, showing code, sheet and recommendation number, serial number, name of applicant, date and amount, and action. Arranged chronologically. Typed on printed form. 100 pp. 12 x 15 x ½. C.C., Welfare Department office.

RECORDER

The Recorder is a constiutional officer elected for a four-year term. He is nominated in the primary and elected in the regular election, and is not eligible to hold office for more than eight years in any twelve-year period (Indiana Const., Art. 6, Sec. 2; 1 Rev. Stat. 1852; Acts 1901; Burns, 49-3201 [1921]).

It is his duty to enter upon the books of his office at the time they are executed, all satisfactions, cancelations, and assignments, of whatever kinds, attest the release of mortgages, leases, or other instruments required by law to be recorded, record every conveyance or other instrument entitled and required by law to be recorded in Wabash County, to keep special records of cemetery deeds, cemetery associations, farm names, chattel mortgages, and miscellaneous instruments. (1 Indiana Rev. Stat. 1852; Acts 1855, 1875 Special Session, 1905, 1913, 1919, 1925, 1927, and 1931; Burns, 49-3203 to 49-3235 [1923-1953]).

Deeds

170. CEMETERY DEED RECORD, 1926--. 1 vol.
Record of deeds for cemetery lots, showing date, name of cemetery, name to whom deeded, location, and purchase price. Arranged alphabetically by grantee. Typed. 600 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. C.C., Recorder's office.

171. DEED RECORD, 1825--. 163 vols. (A-Z, 1-36).
Record of deeds, showing copies of deeds, description of property, name of grantor and grantee, and date. Indexed alphabetically by grantee and grantor. 1835-1904, handwritten on printed forms; 1904--, typed on printed form. 600 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. C.C., Recorder's office.

172. DEEDS, GENERAL INDEX OF, 1835--. 34 vols. (2 sets 1-17).
General index to deed record, showing volume and page numbers of deeds, names of party making deed, and party to whom made. Arranged alphabetically by grantee and grantor. Handwritten on printed form. 600 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. C.C., Recorder' office.

173. DEEDS UNCALLED FOR, 1935-1924. 30 file boxes.
Record of deeds left for recording and uncalled for owner, showing date of deed, name of grantor and grantee, description of property, name of attorney, aand date recorded. No index. Handwritten on printed form. 4 x 5 x 10. C.C., Recorder's office.

174. ENTRY BOOK OF DEEDS, 1835--. 12 vols. (B, 1-10, 1 vol. not numbered).
Record of deeds, showing date, description, name of parties, to whom and by whom given, location, and consideration. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 600 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. C.C., V.B., and 1 vol. not numbered, 1843-48, Recorder's record room; v. 1-10, 1848--, Recorder's front room.

175. TAX TITLE DEED RECORD, 1868-1901. 1 vol.

Record of Sheriff's sales for taxes, showing name of purchaser and transcripts of deed. Indexed alphabetically by purchaser. Handwritten on printed form. Condition fair. 283 pp. 18 x 12 x 1½. C.C., Recorder's office.

For earlier and later record, see entry #171.

Fees

176. FEE AND CASH BOOK, 1916--. 6 vols. (8-13). 1883-1916, missing.

Record of cash receipts, showing fees received, from whom, kind of instrument, and accounting of money. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 325 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. C.C., Recorder's office.

For earlier record, see entry 177.

177. FEE BILLS, REGISTER OF, 1863-83. 1 vol.

Record of fees for legal recording of documents and instruments, showing date, kind of instrument, name of person having instrument recorded, and total fees. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 150 pp. 14 x 9 x 1. C.C., Recorder's office.

Maps and Plats

178. PLAT BOOK, 1834--. 6 vols.

Record of plats, showing towns and additions, description and field notes, names of towns, location of townships, and date of plat. Arranged alphabetically by towns and townships. Handwritten and typed. 300 pp. 18 x 18 x 1. C.C., Recorder's office.

179. TRACT BOOK, 1830-49. 1 vol.

Record of land purchased from Federal Government, showing location, section number, number of acres, date of entry, number of townships, and range. Arranged numerically by township number, range number and tract number. Typed. 275 pp. 18 x 13 x 1½. C.C., Recorder's office.

180. WABASH, CITY OF, 1920. 1 map.

Political map, showing addition, streets, municipal buildings, and parks. Drawn by H.D.Hartman. Ink, black and white. Condition poor. Scale, 1" to 200 ft. 72 x 72. C.C., Recorder's office.

181. WABASH COUNTY, 1910. 1 map.

Political map, showing townships, towns, cities, railroads, streams, highways, and sections. Drawn by J. Monroe Crumbine. Printed and colored. Scale, 2" to 1 mile. 60 x 36. C.C., Recorder's office.

Mortgages

182. CHATTEL MORTGAGES, 1887--. 47 vols. (1-47).

Record of transcripts of mortgages given on chattels to secure payments, showing names of mortgagor and mortgagee, amount of mortgage, date of maturity, description of chattels and date recorded. Indexed alphabetically by mortgagor. 1887-1901, handwritten; 1909--, typed. 600 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. C.C., v. 1-15, 1887-1901, basement vault; v. 16-36, 1909- , Recorder's record room; v. 37-47, 1929--, Recorder's office.

183. CHATTEL MORTGAGE, 1935--. 26 file boxes. (A-Z).

Record of chattel mortgages locked up until released by mortgagee, showing date of instrument and recording file number, names and signatures of

mortgagee and mortgagor, and list of chattels given as security. Arranged alphabetically by mortgagor. 12 x 4 x 20. C.C., Recorder's office.

For earlier record, see entry 185.

184. CHATTEL MORTGAGES, GENERAL INDEX OF, 1923--. 2 vols. (1-2). General index to mortgages, showing volume and page number, date mortgage given, and date recorded. Arranged alphabetically by mortgagor. Handwritten on printed form. 600 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. C.C., Recorder's office.

185. ENTRY BOOK OF MORTGAGES, 1854--. 12 vols. (1-10, 2 vols numbered 1, 2 vols. numbered 2). Title varies.

Record of mortgages, showing date received and recorded, name of mortgagor and mortgagee, amount, and liens made against property for payment for labor. Indexed alphabetically by mortgagee. Handwritten on printed form. 600 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. C.C., Recorder's office.

186. ENTRY BOOK OF SATISFACTIONS, CANCELLATIONS AND ASSIGNMENTS, 1905--. 3 vols.

Record of satisfied, cancelled and assigned mortgages, showing name of mortgagor and mortgagee, amount involved, and date of mortgage, satisfaction, cancelation and assignment. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 635 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. C.C., Recorder's office.

187. LIENS UNCALLED FOR, (MECHANICS), 1902-10. 16 file boxes.

Record of liens uncalled for, showing name of mortgagor and mortgagee, location, description of property, amount of lien, and date recorded. No index. 4 x 5 x 10. C.C., Recorder's record room.

188. MORTGAGE RECORD, REAL ESTATE, 1836--. 111 vols. (A-Z, 1-85). Record of real estate mortgages, assignments and satisfactions, showing names of mortgagor and mortgagee, description, date given, date due, and copy of mortgage. Indexed alphabetically by mortgagor. 1836-1902, handwritten; 1902--, typed. 300 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. C.C., Recorder's office.

189. MORTGAGES, GENERAL, INDEX OF, 1836--. 30 vols. (2 sets 1-5). General index of mortgages, showing names of mortgagor and mortgagee and volume and page number in mortgage record. Arranged alphabetically by mortgagor and mortgagee. Handwritten on printed form. 600 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. C.C., Recorder's office.

190. MORTGAGES, UNCALLED FOR, 1835-1924. 12 file boxes. Record of mortgages left for recording and uncalled for, showing name of mortgagor and mortgagee, description of property, date of mortgage, date recorded, fee and date paid. No index. C.C., Recorder's record room.

191. SCHOOL FUND MORTGAGES, RECORD OF, 1836-73. 2 vols. (1-2). Record of transcript of mortgages given to secure payment on loans of school funds, showing date of mortgage, amount, names of mortgagor, mortgagee, description of property, kind of fund and date due. Indexed alphabetically by mortgagor. Handwritten. 400 pp. 18 x 13 x 2½. C.C., Recorder's office.

Registers

192. FARM NAMES, RECORD OF, 1913--. 1 vol. Record of farm names, showing name of owner of farm, location, and

description of land. Indexed alphabetically by farm and owner. Typed on printed form. 400 pp. 16 x 12 x 2. C.C., Recorder's office.

193. INDENTURES, RECORD OF, 1844-87. 1 vol.
Record of agreement of terms of apprenticeship and master contracts, showing name of apprentice, name of parent, to whom apprenticed, and age of apprentice at time of agreement. Arranged alphabetically by apprentice. Handwritten. 300 pp. 15 x 11 x 2. C.C., Recorder's office.

194. INSTRUMENT CHECK BOOK, 1901--. 3 vols.
Record of instruments having been recorded and checked out to proper parties, showing kind of instrument, names of parties, to whom delivered, date received, and date delivered. Indexed alphabetically by title holder. Handwritten on printed form. 600 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. C.C., Recorder's office.

195. INSTRUMENTS MAILED, RECORD OF, 1899--. 4 vols.
Record of instruments recorded and mailed to proper parties by their order, showing date of mailing, address of person to whom mailed, kind of instruments, and amount of fees charged. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten. 200 pp. 16 x 12 x 1. C.C., 1 vol. 1899-1912, Recorder's office; 2 vols., 1912-30, Recorder's record room; 1 vol., 1930--, Recorder's office.

196. MARKS AND BRANDS, RECORD OF, 1846-1931. 1 vol.
Register of recorded marks and brands for live stock, showing kind of stock, owner, date, and title or facsimile of mark or brand. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten. 300 pp. 15 x 11 x 2. C.C., Recorder's office.

197. MISCELLANEOUS RECORD, 1856--. 30 vols. (A-Z, AA-BB, 1-2).

Record of all documents other than wills, mortgages, and deeds, showing section number, date filed, date recorded, and transcript of document. Indexed alphabetically by general index. ~~by title~~. 1856-1904, handwritten; 1905--, typed. 600 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. C.C., Recorder's office.

For general index, see entry 189.

198. SOLDIERS DISCHARGE RECORD, 1917--. 1 vol.

Record of enlistment, discharge, and copy of letters from army, showing name, age, personal data, residence, date enlisted, date discharged, and cause of discharge. Indexed alphabetically by soldier. Typed on printed form. 300 pp. 18 x 13 x 2. C.C., Recorder's office.

199. STATISTICAL RECORD, 1898--. 2 vols. (1 and 1 vol. not numbered).

Record of satisfaction of mortgages, showing kind of mortgage, amount, mortgagor, mortgagee, and all statistical data. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 160 pp. 18 x 13 x 1½. C.C., Recorder's office.

REVIEW, BOARD OF,

Wabash County has an annual board for the review of assessments and the equalization of the valuation of real and personal property. The board is composed of the Assessor, Treasurer, Auditor, and two freeholders of opposite political parties, appointed by the judge of the Circuit Court. The Assessor is the president and the Auditor is secretary of the board. (Acts 1919; Burns, 64-1201 [14204], 64-1205 [14208]).

From 1881 to 1919 the duties of reviewing and equalizing tax assessments were preformed by a County Board of Equalization consisting of the County Commissioners and four freeholders appointed by the circuit judge. (Acts 1881, Ch. 96, p. 611). The law of 1919 superseded this act and renamed the body the Board of Review.

It is the duty of the board to make changes in the valuation of the property in the township or any taxing unit within the township, and to determine the rate per cent to be added or deducted in order to make an equitable equalization of taxes throughout the county. The board also has the power, in proper cases, to correct the valuation of any particular tract or lot. (Acts 1919, Ibid.).

If the board shall find the aggregate assessment too high or too low or unequal, it may set aside the assessment of the whole county, or township, or taxing unit therein, and order a new assessment; (Acts 1919, Ibid.).

200. BOARD OF REVIEW, RECORD, 1898--. 2 vols.

Record of minutes of meetings of Board of Review, showing date, proceedings, ~~list~~ property valuation, description of land, assessed valuation, and adjusted valuation. Arranged chronologically. 1898-1914, handwritten; 1915--, typed. 268 pp. 18 x 12 x 1½. C.C., 1898-1914, basement storeroom; 1915--, Commissioner's room in Auditor's office.

The Superintendent of Schools is selected by the township trustee for a four-year term. The candidate must have had five years' successful experience as a teacher in the public schools, and at the time of his election he must hold a superintendent's license. He must give bond for five thousand dollars. (Acts 1899, 1911, 1913, and 1927; Burns, 28-702 [3507]).

The Superintendent exercises general supervision of the schools of Wabash County. He visits schools while they are in session, conducts teachers' institutes, and calls meetings of teachers of Wabash County schools once each month in the school year. His jurisdiction is limited to unincorporated communities. He makes out the basis of apportionment of school revenues from the enumeration. Official records of other county officers shall be open to his inspection, and he shall bring suit against them for neglect of duty. He presides over the county Board of Education and receives applications for school aid relief. (Acts 1933; Burns, 28-901 to 28-911).

Children

201. ENUMERATION- CENSUS, 1930--. 13 vols.
Record of enumeration for school purpose, showing name, age, and sex of pupil, parent or guardian, town or township, and name of enumerator. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 50 pp. 8 x 3 x ½. C.C., Superintendent's office.

202. EXAMINATIONS, RECORD OF, 1894-1909. 4 vols. (1-4).
Record of grade school examinations, showing name of student, township, subjects covered, grade, and date of diploma. Indexed

alphabetically by pupil. Handwritten on printed form. 242 pp. 14 x 12 x 2. C.C., Superintendent's office.

203. HIGH SCHOOL EXAMINATIONS, RECORD OF, 1895-1901. 1 vol.
Record of high school graduations, showing name, school, subjects, and credits acquired. Indexed alphabetically by student. Handwritten on printed form. 298 pp. 18 x 13 x 2. C.C., Superintendent's office.

204. SCHOOL RECORD, 1885-86. 1 vol.
Record of school enumeration, showing name, age, sex, days attendance, days absent, and per cent attending school. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 150 pp. 13 x 11 x 1. C.C., Superintendent's office.

205. SUCCESS GRADES AND INCOMPLETE HIGH SCHOOL RECORDS, 1922-34.
12 file drawers.
Record of grades, showing name, school, grade in each subject, standing in interest, and conduct. Arranged chronologically, thereunder alphabetically by pupil. 22 x 20 x 30. C.C., Superintendent's office.

Proceedings and Reports

206. BOARD OF EDUCATION, RECORD OF, 1884-14. 2 vols.
Record of meetings of the Board of Education, showing dates, numbers, and action taken. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten. 300 pp. 14 x 12 x 2. C.C., Superintendent's office.

207. CASH BOOK, 1929. 1 vol.
Record of daily cash, showing banks, amount of deposits with each, amount of checks, and balances. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 100 pp. 14 x 10 x 1.

C.C., Superintendent's office.

For later record, see entry 210.

208. CASH BOOK (SCHOOL AUDIT), 1909-10. 1 vol.

Record of all cash transactions, showing daily expenditures. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten. 200 pp. 18 x 13 x 1½. C.C., Superintendent's office.

For later record, see entry 210.

209. EXAMINER'S RECORDS, 1865-83. 1 vol.

Record of enumeration for school purposes, teacher's examinations, financial reports, minutes of meetings of board of education, and teacher's institute record. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 359 pp. 18 x 13 x 2. C.C., Superintendent's office.

210. FINANCIAL RECORD, 1927--. 2 vols.

Record of school fund receipts and disbursements, showing source of receipts, for what disbursed, date received and disbursed. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 100 pp. 11 x 16 x ¾. C.C., Superintendent's office.

211. JOURNAL (QUARTERLY REPORTS), 1858-90. 1 vol.

Record of fines paid in justice of peace courts, which are used for school funds, ~~and~~ showing quarterly reports to Indiana School Book Co. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten. 335 pp. 12 x 7 x 1, C.C., Superintendent's office.

212. LETTERS, 1899-1909. 3 vols.

Record of correspondence, showing letters pertaining to various school matters. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten. 492 pp. 12 x 11 x 1. C.C., Superintendent's office.

213. REPORT, 1874-83. 3 vols.

Record of reports, showing enumeration, revenues, value of school houses, school tax per hundred, valuation, township libraries, and value of new buildings. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 300 pp. 10 x 4 x 1½. C.C., Superintendent's office.

214. SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS, RECORD BOOK FOR, 1837-43. 1 vol.

Record of meetings of school commissioners, regarding taxes for school purposes. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten. Condition fair. 70 pp. 10 x 8 x ½. C.C., Commissioner's room in Auditor's office.

TEACHERS

215. CONTRACT AND RECORD BOOK, 1922--. 2 vols.

Record of teacher's graduations, showing prior contracts, where taught, year, where trained, name of school, and all qualifications. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 300 pp. 12 x 8 x 1. C.C., Superintendent's office.

216. EXAMINATIONS, RECORD OF, 1882-1923. 5 vols.

Record of applicants for teacher's licenses, showing name, credited hours of training, subjects taken, term of license, grade in each subject, and general average. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 225 pp. 13 x 8 x 1. C.C., Superintendent's office.

The Sheriff is a constitutional officer chosen for a four-year period and is not elegible to hold office more than four years in any period of six years. He is a political officer, nominated by primary and elected in the regular election. He must give bond for five thousand dollars. (2 Indiana Rev. Stat. 1852; Burns, 49-2801 [11858]).

The Sheriff arrests without process all persons who, within his view, commit any crime or misdemeanor, delivers them before a justice of the peace of Wabash County and holds them in his custody until the cause of such arrest has been investigated; pursues and commits to jail all felons; and executes all process directed to him by legal authority. It is his duty also to protect persons in danger from mobs and possible lynchings. (2 Indiana Rev. Stat. 1852; Burns, 49-2803 to 49-2808 [11859-11865]).

Executions

217. DAY BOOK, 1874-75. 1 vol.
Record of a daily memorandum of proceedings of Circuit Court, showing date of trial, plaintiff, defendant, and costs. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten. Condition fair. 260 pp. 13 x 8 x ½. C.C., Sheriff's office.

217a. DOCKET, 1883--. 3 vols.
Record of Circuit Court writs, which have been served by Sheriff or his deputies, showing name of parties, nature of cause, number of cause, names of witnesses, fees and costs and report of satisfaction. Arranged alphabetically by plaintiff. Handwritten. 300 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. C.C., Sheriff's office.

218. DOCKET, CIVIL, 1883-91. 2 vols. (2,3. V.1, prior to 1883, missing.

Record of court writs served by the Sheriff or his deputies in civil suits, showing names of party, date writ was served, and names of witnesses. Indexed alphabetically by plaintiff. Handwritten on printed form. 291 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. C.C., Sheriff's office.

219. EXECUTION DOCKET, 1861--. 15 vols. (1-7, and 8 vols. not numbered). 1879-83, missing.

Record of executions issued by the court to the sheriff, showing date of issue, kind of writ, against whom judgment was rendered, debt or damages, amount of costs, and officer's return. Indexed alphabetically by person against whom judgment was rendered. Handwritten on printed form. 250 pp. 18 x 13 x 2½. C.C., v. 1-5, 1861-79, basement vault; v. 6-7, 1883-1926; and 6 unnumbered vols., Sheriff's office; 2 unnumbered vols., 1926--, Sheriff's private office.

220. FOREIGN WRITS, 1875-79. 1 vol.

Record of writs served by Sheriff upon order of courts from other counties, showing name of party, date received, date served, fees and costs. Indexed alphabetically by county ordering writ served. Handwritten on printed form. Condition fair. 150 pp. 10 x 8 x ½. C.C., Sheriff's office.

221. JUDGMENT RENDERED, 1880-89. 2 vols.

Record of judgments rendered by the court against a party to a suit, showing plaintiff, defendant, date, nature of cause, history of the case, and disposition of the case by judgment rendered. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 100 pp. 11 x 8 x 1. C.C., Sheriff's office.

222. WRITS, REGISTER OF, TITLE VARIES, 1883-91. 4 vols.

Record of writs issued by the court to be served by Sheriff or deputy, showing writ number, name of party, date received, date served, kind of writ and Sheriff's fee. Indexed alphabetically by person to whom writ is issued. Handwritten on printed form. 225 pp. 15 x 10 x 1. C.C., Sheriff's office.

Record discontinued after 1891.

Fees

223. CASH BOOK, 1887-1935. 3 vols. (2 vols numbered 1, and 1 vol. not numbered).

Record of cash received from all sources, showing amount received, from what source, date received, and cause number. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 360 pp. 16 x 11 x 1. C.C., Sheriff's office.

Record nowkept by Clerk.

224. FEES, REGISTER OF, 1895--. 9 vols. (4-8, and 4 vols. not numbered).

Record of fees for serving papers as ordered by Circuit Court, showing date, kind of writ, date fee paid, and amount. Indexed alphabetically by plaintiff. Handwritten on printed form. 291 pp. 18 x 13 x 2½. C.C., 7 vols., 1895-1929, Sheriff's office; 2 vols., 1929--, Sheriff's private office.

Investigations and Reports

225. APPOINTMENT OF ELECTION SHERIFFS, 1913. 1 vol.

Record of sheriff's appointed by county Election Board and sworn to allegiance by the Sheriff, showing precinct number, ward, and township. Arranged by precincts. Handwritten on printed form. 150 pp. 14 x 9 x 1. C.C.,Sheriff's office.

226. JAIL REGISTER, 1869--. 6 vols.

Record of prisoners committed to jail, showing name, residence, date admitted, why confined, amount of bail, sentence, date discharged, by whose order, number of days kept, and cost of board. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 200 pp. 16 x 13 x 1 3/4. C.C., Sheriff's office.

227. MILEAGE RECORD, 1930--. 1 vol.

Record of mileage for transportation of prisoners, showing number of prisoners, to what institution taken, and costs on a mileage basis. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 400 pp. 14 x 10 x 1½. C.C., Sheriff's office.

SURVEYOR

The Surveyor or county engineer as he is sometimes known, is a constitutional officer, nominated by primary and elected in the general election for two years. He may be re-elected indefinitely. He must give bond in a sum fixed by the Board of County Commissioners. (Indiana Const., Art. 6, Sec. 2; Indiana Rev. Stat. 1852; Burns, 49-3301 [1934]).

The Surveyor performs all duties required of him as civil engineer in the work of Wabash County, including the preparation of plans and specifications for, and general supervision of all bridges, turnpikes, roads, ditches, drains, and levees. He establishes boundaries of farms and lots, and takes acknowledgments of mortgages and deeds for the conveyance of real estate. He removes after examination, the obstruction of any stream, and institutes foreclosure actions for sums due the county. (1 Indiana Rev. Stat. 1852; Acts 1875, 1895, 1901, 1911, 1925, and 1933; Burns, 36-1110, 49-3308 to 49-3317 [11961-11970], 49-3319 to 49-3322 [11972-11975], and 49-3327 to 49-3328 [11990-11991]).

Bridges, Ditches and Roads

228. CLEANING RECORD, 1885-34. 5 vols.
Record of cleaning and repairing ditches, showing description and location, owners, and specifications for clearing. Arranged by ditch, thereunder alphabetically by owner. Handwritten on printed form. 612 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. C.C., Surveyor's office.

229. DITCH ALLOTMENTS OF GROSINGER DITCH, 1934. 1 vol.
Record of allotments for Grosinger ditch, showing owner, allotment from station to station, and time for completion.

Arranged chronologically. Typed on printed form. 400 pp. 18 x 13 x 1½. C.C., Surveyor's office.

230. DITCH RECORD, 1884-1904. 2 vols.

Record of the construction of ditches, showing name of ditches, owner, description, distance in feet from station to station, and manner in which work is to be done. Indexed alphabetically by ditch. Handwritten on printed form. 200 pp. 14 x 7 x ¾. C.C., Surveyor's office.

231. DITCH RECORDS, 1880-1916. 36 boxes.

Reports on ditches, showing amount of assessments, specifications, engineers' reports, blueprints, and cost of construction. Arranged by ditch. 3 x 5 x 10. C.C., Surveyor's office.

232. ESTIMATE BOOK, 1917-31. 1 vol.

Record of estimated cost of road, bridge and ditch construction, showing contractor, estimate of labor and material, and specifications. Indexed alphabetically by project. Handwritten on printed form. 348 pp. 16 x 22 x 1½. C.C., Surveyor's office.

Maps

233. WABASH COUNTY, 1934 . 1 map.

Communications and drainage map, showing highway system, townships, section numbers, and ditches. Drawn by Asher W. Gray. Scale, 2 in. to 1 mile. 32 x 53. C.C., Surveyor's office.

Surveys and Reports

234. JOURNAL, 1906-08. 1 vol.

Record of expenses for labor and material, showing date, to whom paid,

amount, for what purpose, and kind of material. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 500 pp. 12 x 10 x 2. C.C., Surveyor's office.

235. SURVEY RECORD, 1888-1909. 1 vol.

Daily book record of work in progress, showing notes, description of work, and drawings and reports of field men. Indexed alphabetically by project. Handwritten on printed form. 530 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. C.C., Surveyor's office.

236. PLATS AND FIELD NOTES, 1840-53. 1 vol.

Record of original survey of townships of county, showing township and section number, number of posts, distance in links, and drawing of each section. Arranged by township and section numbers. Handwritten. Condition poor. 100 pp. 14 x 14 x $\frac{3}{4}$. C.C., Surveyor's office.

237. RECORD, 1850--. 6 vols. Numbering varies.

Record of surveys, showing field notes, sketches, drawings, blueprints, post and bearing trees, and links distance. Arranged by township, thereunder alphabetically by survey. Handwritten on printed form. 375 pp. 18 x 13 x 2. C.C., Surveyor's office.

The Treasurer is a constitutional officer elected for a term of two years and is not eligible to serve more than four years in any period of six years. He is nominated in the primary and elected in the regular election. He is required to execute his official bond of not less than the amount of money which may come into his hands at any time during the term. (Indiana Const., Art. 6, Sec. 1).

The Treasurer receives all money coming to Wabash County and disburses the same on the proper orders. He keeps fee books and cash books and makes quarterly reports to the Auditor. At the expiration of his term of office he gives a sworn statement to the Auditor showing specifically the amount of fees collected, and deposits with the Auditor all orders redeemed. He makes a monthly statement to the Treasurer of State, collects property and poll taxes and State license fees, sells all property found on any dead body remaining unclaimed for sixty days, and diverts to the State the proceeds from the sale of estates when the heirs are unknown. (Indiana Const., Art. 6, Sec. 1; 1 Indiana Rev. Stat. 1852; Acts 1853; Burns, 49-3103 to 49-3317 /11906-11920/).

236. DAILY CASH BALANCE AND DEPOSITORY RECORD, 1909--. 22 vols. (1-17. 2 sets, 1-5).

An itemized daily record of cash on hand and amount deposited for both city and county funds, showing date, amount, name of bank, and balance in bank and drawer. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 320 pp. 18 x 13 x 2½. C.C., v. 1, 1915-17; v. 5, 1921, basement vault;

v. 2-4; 1-17, 1909-36, Treasurer's office.

For earlier records, see entry 243.

239. MONTHLY BALANCE RECORD, 1927--. 1 vol.

A record of all cash on hand at the end of each month, showing receipts and disbursements from each fund, overdraft, name, and date. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 160 pp. 24 x 17 x 1½. C.C., Treasurer's record room.

240. LEDGER, 1859-1907. 4 vols. 1875-1897, prior to 1859, and after 1907, missing.

Record of accounts for various county officers with reference to journal from which amounts were posted, showing date, amount, and for what purpose. Arranged alphabetically by officer. Handwritten on printed form. 275 pp. 16 x 12 x 2. C.C., 1 vol., 1904-07, basement vault; ~~3 v., 1859-1904, basement vault;~~ 3 v., 1859-1904, Treasurer's record room.

241. JOURNAL, 1850-1904. 5 vols.

Record of debit and credit entries for receipts and expenditures, showing date received, amount received, from whom received, and for what purpose. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 475 pp. 16 x 12 x 2. C.C., Treasurer's record room.

242. BANK BALANCES, 1932--. 7 boxes.

Bank balance statement, showing amount carried forward, amount deposited, date, amount withdrawn, date withdrawn, total deposit, total withdrawn, and balance on hand. Arranged chronologically. C.C., Treasurer's office.

243. JOURNAL (DEPOSITORY), 1883-1914. 4 vols. 1887-95, 1900-07, missing.

Record of cash deposited with various banks, showing dates, amounts

deposited, in what bank, and balance in each bank. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 473 pp. 16 x 12 x 2. C.C., 1 vol., 1895-99, basement vault; 3 vols., 1883-87, 1907-14, Treasurer's record room.

For later records, see entry 238.

244. CASH BOOK, 1865--. 59 vols. 1871-75, missing. Title varies. Record of taxes received, showing date, from whom received, current or delinquent, school fund, road, dog, ditch taxes, interest, principle, township or corporation, receipt, and duplicate numbers, amount received, and name of tax payer. Grouped by taxing unit, and arranged alphabetically by tax payer. Handwritten on printed form. 424 pp. 17 x 14 x 2. 26 vols., Treasurer's record room; 32 vols., basement vault; 1 vol., Treasurer's office.

245. CASH BOOK, 1912-24. 2 vols. (1-2).
Record of cash received other than taxes, showing from whom received, on what account, date, and amount received. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 321 pp. 16 x 12 x 2. C.C., v. 1, 1912-16, Treasurer's record room; v. 2, 1917-24, basement vault.

246. APPROPRIATION AND DISBURSEMENT LEDGER, 1915-24. 3 vols. (3-4, and 1 vol., not numbered). V. 1-2, prior to 1915, missing. Record of appropriations for each office and detailed record of disbursements against them, showing date, amount, to what fund, date of distribution, to whom paid, and for what paid. Arranged numerically by appropriation number. Handwritten on printed form. 450 pp. 17 x 19 x 2½. C.C., Treasurer's office.

247. DISBURSEMENTS, CASH BOOK OF, 1912-24. 7 vols. (2, and 6 vols., not numbered).

Record of cash disbursed, showing date and number of warrant, ~~number~~, on what account, appropriation number, amount taken out of county revenue, and amount from other funds. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 240 pp. 16 x 12 x 2. C.C., 1 vol., 1921-23, Treasurer's office; 4 vols., 1912-15, 1920-21, 1923-24, Treasurer's record room; 2 vols., 1916-19, basement vault.

248. RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS, COUNTY REVENUE, 1872-99. 5 vols. (1-5).

Record of receipts and disbursements of county funds, showing from whom received, to whom paid, from what source received, and for what purpose paid. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 200 pp. 17 x 15 x 1½. C.C., Treasurer's record room.

249. RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS, STATE AND TOWNSHIP, 1872-1900. 1 vol.

Record of receipts and disbursements of State and township funds, showing date, number, amount of receipts, from whom received, and detailed record of disbursements. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 300 pp. 17 x 15 x 2. C.C., Treasurer's record room.

250. COLLECTION REGISTER, 1902-08. 14 vols.

Record of taxes collected, showing duplicate number of tax receipt, name of owner, description of property, assessed value, taxes due including penalties, and costs. Arranged alphabetically by payer. Handwritten on printed form. 100 pp. 9 x 8 x ½. C.C., Treasurer's record room.

251. RECEIPTS AND SALE OF INTANGIBLE TAX STAMPS, RECORD OF, 1933--. 1 vol.

Record of receipts and sale of intangible tax stamps, showing consignment, number and quantity of stamps by denominations, record of stamps sold, and amount and denomination of stamps on hand. Arranged numerically. Handwritten on printed form. 300 pp. 18 x 15 x 2. C.C., Treasurer's office.

252. TAXES COLLECTED BY BANK, REGISTER OF, 1883-87. 2 vols.

Record of taxes collected by banks, showing name of taxpayer, amount received, date, and township. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 145 pp. 11 x 7 x ½. C.C., Treasurer's record room.

253. DITCH DUPLICATES, 1906--. 4 vols.

Record of ditch assessments and collection or delinquency of same, showing name of landowner, description, total assessment, name of ditch, and township. Arranged alphabetically by taxpayer. Handwritten on printed form. 300 pp. 18 x 20 x 2½. C.C., 1 vol., 1906-07, basement vault; 3 vols., 1908-36, Treasurer's office.

254. GRAVEL ROAD DUPLICATES, 1867-91. 7 vols., 1872-78, missing.

Record of taxes for the construction and maintenance of gravel roads, showing name of owner, description of land, value of improvements, amount of assessments, amount delinquent penalties, and interest. Arranged alphabetically by landowner. Handwritten on printed form. 119 pp. 16 x 11 x 1. C.C., Treasurer's record room.

255. Improvement duplicate, 1905-17. 2 vols.

Record of tax assessments for public improvements, showing name of owner, lot number, total assessments, date, amount due every May and November,

record of payments made and delinquent, penalties, and interest. Arranged alphabetically by taxpayer. Handwritten on printed form. 350 pp. 17 x 27 x 2. C.C., 1 vol., 1905-08, basement vault; 1 vol., 1908-17 Treasurer's record room.

256. OMITTED TAXES, MINUTE BOOK OF, 1871-1906. 6 vols. Record of omitted personal property and taxes thereon, showing name, amount, years omitted, date notice was mailed, date to appear before Auditor, for what cause dismissed, tax rates for each year, and record of payments made. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 240 pp. 15 x 14 x $\frac{3}{4}$. C.C., 2 vols., 1871-1902, basement vault; 4 vols., 1903-06, Treasurer's record room.

257. IMPROPERLY CHARGED TAXES, CERTIFICATES OF, 1928--. 1 vol. Record of improperly charged taxes signed by Auditor, showing name, township, nature of error, and amount to be deducted. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 500 pp. 16 x 9 x $1\frac{1}{2}$. C.C., Treasurer's office.

For earlier records, see entry 52.

258. MORATORIUM TAX DUPLICATE, 1933--. 1 vol. Register of taxes delayed in collection by moratorium, showing name, amount, interest, description of real estate, semi-annual payments, date payable, and receipt number. Arranged alphabetically by taxpayer. Handwritten on printed form. 130 pp. 18 x 11 x 1. C.C., Treasurer's office.

259. DELINQUENT LISTS, 1850--. 14 vols. Record of delinquent or unpaid taxes, showing name of owner, description and value of land and personal property, total amount of taxes, interest

and penalties. Arranged alphabetically by taxpayer. Handwritten on printed form. 350 pp. 17 x 15 x 3. 13 vols., 1850-1922, Treasurer's record room; 1 vol., 1923--, Treasurer's office.

260. WORK SHEETS, 1934--. 4 vols. (1-3. 2 vols., numbered 3). Record of taxes returned delinquent each year with penalty added. Arranged alphabetically by taxpayer. Handwritten on printed form. 1000 pp. 11 x 11 x 5. C.C., Treasurer's record room.

261. INSOLVENT TAXES, RECORD OF, 1855--. 6 vols. (2, 4, and 4 vols., not numbered). 1883-1900, 1869-72, 1914-16, missing. Record of insolvent taxes that can not be collected, showing name of taxpayer, and duplicate number. Arranged alphabetically. Handwritten on printed form. 400 pp. 16 x 12 x 2. C.C., 2 vols., 1855-68, 1873-83, Treasurer's record room; 3 vols., 1884-1913, basement vault; 1 vol., 1917--, Treasurer's office.

262. WARRANTS, REGISTER OF, 1915--. 8 vols. (1-8). Record of county warrants paid, showing date of warrant, number, amount, from what appropriation, and reference to disbursement, record volume, and page number. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 320 pp. 18 x 13 x 2½. C.C., v. 1, 1915-18, basement vault; v., 3, 1922-24 Treasurer's record room; v., 2, 4-8, 1924--, Treasurer's office.

263. CANCELLED CHECKS, 1929--. 24 boxes. Record of cancelled checks, showing date, check number, to whom paid, for what purpose, amount, and signature of Treasurer. Arranged chronologically. 4¾ x 10 x 25. C.C., Treasurer's record room.

264. DELINQUENT TAX RECEIPTS, 1860-1921. 7 vols. 1869-95, 1899-1909, missing. Record of delinquent tax payments made, showing from whom received,

amount of penalty, interest, number of tax receipt, description of property, amount of delinquent tax, and total paid. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 200 pp. 9 x 9 x 1½. C.C., 1 vol., 1860-69, basement vault; 6 vols., 1870-1921, Treasurer's record room.

265. TAX RECEIPTS, 1935--. 100 vols. Numbering varies. Record of tax receipts for 1936, showing name, amount due, description of property, amount of each installment, and total taxes. Arranged alphabetically by taxpayer. Typed on printed form. 100 pp. 3 x 11 x 1. C.C., Treasurer's office.

266. TAX SALES, RECEIPT BOOKS FOR, 1920--. 2 vols. Record of money received from tax sales, showing amount, from whom received, and description of property sold for delinquent taxes. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 350 pp. 14 x 8 x 1½. C.C., Treasurer's office.

267. INHERITANCE TAX RECEIPT (STUB BOOK), 1932--. 2 vols. Record of inheritance taxes paid, showing name of estate, date of death, amount of tax, discount allowed, name of party paying tax, and value of estate. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 700 pp. 9 x 16 x 1½. C.C., Treasurer's office.

268. PAID TAX RECEIPTS, 1929--. 28 boxes. Record of paid tax receipts, showing duplicate number, name of taxpayer, spring or fall installment, description of property, amount of tax, and date paid. Arranged chronologically. 4½ x 10 x 25. C.C., Treasurer's record room.

Maps

269. WABASH COUNTY, not dated. 1 map.

Communications map, showing townships, sections, schools, churches, highways, rivers and railroads. Drawn by H. D. Hartman. Printed, blue and white. Condition fair. Scale, 1" to 1 mile. 29 x 17½. C.C., Treasurer's office.

270. WABASH COUNTY, 1910. 1 map.

Political map, showing roads, churches, schools, and cemeteries. Drawn and published by J. Monroe Crumrine. Engraved, colored. Condition poor. Scale, 2" to 1 mile. 57 x 32. C.C., Treasurer's office.

TURNPIKE DIRECTORS

The County Commissioners, by virtue of their office, were constituted a board of turnpike directors, by an Act of 1879. The management and control of all free turnpikes in the county was vested in the board. The county was divided into three districts, and each director had personal supervision of one district. They had the power to appoint suitable persons to superintend the work of repairs; contract for labor and materials; enter upon lands to take gravel and to give certificates of payments; and to appoint a clerk of the board (Acts 1879).

An Act of 1905 superseded the Act of 1879 and all its amendments, which did not materially change the functions of the turnpike directors. (Acts 1905).

An Act passed in 1913 repealed the Act of 1905 and abolished the Turnpike Directors as an administrative board, transferring their jurisdiction to the Board of Commissioners, with authority, at their discretion, to appoint a Superintendent of Highways (q.v.) in having more than two hundred miles of highways. In event the Board of Commissioners does not make such appointment, and in all other counties, the Surveyor exercises such supervision. (Acts 1913).

271. GRAVEL ROAD RECORD, 1891-1911. 3 vols. (2 and 2 vols., not numbered). Prior to 1891, missing.

Record of gravel road allowances as allowed by County Commissioners, showing date, to whom issued, amount of labor and material, and order number. Arranged alphabetically by township and road. Handwritten

on printed form. 500 pp. 18 x 13 x 2½. C. C.,2 unnumered vols., 1891-1905, basement vault; v. 2, 1903-11, basement.

272. GRAVEL ROAD REPAIRS, 1880-99. 1 vol.

Record of gravel road repair expenses, showing date, to whom issued, from whom received, amount of repairs, and amount of labor. Arranged chronologically. Handwritten on printed form. 300 pp. 17 x 15 x 1½. C.C., Treasurer's record room.

273. RECORD, 1891-95. 1 vol.

Record of allowances made at directors' meetings with instructions to Auditor to draw amounts on gravel road repair fund, showing date, amount allowed, nature of claim, and to whom allowed. Indexed alphabetically by claimant. Handwritten. 584 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. C.C., basement vault.

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